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BANKERS' VIEW OF THE SITUATION.

THE RELATION OF TRADE TO REPARATIONS.

FINANCIAL OUTLOOK HOPEFUL

(Reuter's Service.)

London, January 24.
Mr. Walter Leaf, presiding at the annual meeting of the Westminster bank, voiced a definite feeling of confidence and a hope that in the coming year Britain will resume her place as a leading nation. The London market was the best for the foreign borrower. The foreign and Colonial loans issued last year amounted to one hundred and thirty millions pounds sterling. These overseas loans formed the best foundation for expansion of export trade. The fact that imports had risen from 1,003 to 1,098 million sterling, while we were simultaneously lending freely abroad, conclusively proved the satisfactory growth of invisible exports; but while the outlook was good, any real advance was conditional on the absence of serious labour disputes, anxiety as to which constituted the darkest spot on the horizon.

It was vain to talk of prosperity while the shadow of veiled war overhung Central Europe. The industrial collapse of Germany was complete, and the new currency, the Rentenmark, as soon as it was thrown open to sale and purchase, would follow its predecessor the Reichsmark. One thing was certain, the payment of reparations by Germany would only be possible through an excess German exports over imports. We must be prepared to accept German goods on an unheard-of scale, mostly in direct competition with our own. It was impossible to contemplate with equanimity the increase of Germany's competitive world trade by forty per cent. over her best year, 1913, which was the requisite for payment of reparations. He concluded by saying the election dissipated the fears of rash experiments like a capital levy, hence there was no occasion for alarm on the part of nervous amateur investors.

FURTHER MINISTERIAL APPOINTMENTS.

MESSRS. FRANK HODGES AND HARRY GOSLING.

London, January 24.
Mr. Frank Hodges has been appointed Civil Lord of the Admiralty, and Mr. Harry Gosling Minister of Transport.
[Mr. Frank Hodges is secretary of the Miners' Federation. Of Welsh descent, born 35 years ago, went to work in a Welsh mine at 14 years of age; in 1909 obtained a Miners' Federation scholarship at Ruskin College, Oxford. Helped to found the Central Labour College. Prominent in the miners' strike of 1921.
[Mr. Harry Gosling is 62 years of age, and is president of the Transport Workers' Federation. Took a leading part in the big dock strike of 1912. Member of Port of London Authority and of L.C.C. for Kennington. Elected Labour M.P. for Whitechapel last year.]

RED TO THE LAST.

LENIN'S LYING IN STATE.

Riga, January 24.
A Moscow message states that the body of Lenin, in a red coffin covered with wreaths and flags, was brought to the city with much ceremony, accompanied by the widow and other relatives and hundreds of delegates. It was conveyed along troop-lined and draped streets to the trade union house, where guards of honour composed of prominent officials are to take ten minute turns. The public are being admitted to view the coffin. It is stated that a congress of Soviets will elect Kameneff, Rykoff and Taurupa to be joint successors in the presidency of the commissars. No change of home or foreign policy is indicated.

ON WITH THE STRIKE.

LOCOMOTIVE MEN'S DECISION.

London, January 24.
The reply of the railway managers to Mr. Bromley's letter was sent at midnight. It emphasises that the managers are not prepared to discuss a revision of the decision of the National Wages Board, but if the locomotive men's executive will indicate the "existing differences" they have in mind, a meeting will be arranged, if the differences be such as can usefully be discussed at present.

London, January 24.
The executive of the locomotive men has decided to inform the railway managers that the strike must continue.

IMPERIAL DEFENCE QUESTIONS.

AMALGAMATION OF SERVICES IMPRACTICABLE.

London, January 24.
The report of the sub-committee on Imperial defence has been issued. The committee dealing with co-ordination of the Army, Navy and Air Force, has dismissed as impracticable the proposals for subordinating the Ministerial heads of the three Services to the Minister of Defence, or of amalgamating the three Services. On the contrary, it expresses the opinion that the existing system of co-ordination by the Imperial Defence Committee is insufficient to secure full initiative and responsibility, and needs strengthening.

SHIPS COLLIDE AT PORT SAID.

Port Said, January 24.
The Dutch steamer Vondel, from Batavia to Amsterdam, collided in port with the British steamer Padua, from the Tees to Yokohama, when en route to moorings. The damage to the former is slight, and she is proceeding. The damage to the latter is all above the top deck, and the vessel expects to sail on Sunday.

SYDNEY ENTERTAINS JAPANESE SAILORS.

Sydney, January 24.
The Japanese squadron has arrived here, being heartily welcomed. The State Government gave a dinner to the Admiral and other officers. An extensive programme of entertainments has been arranged.

PANEL DOCTORS' FEE FIXED.

London, January 24.
The Court of enquiry has fixed the panel doctors' capitation fee at nine shillings, recommending that this remain in force for three

SHANGHAI MOTOR DISPUTE.

DOCTOR FINES HIMSELF!

SEQUEL TO TRAFFIC HOLD-UP.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Jan. 24.

Following the failure of the Settlement Police to arrest Dr. E. Tartois, a member of the French Municipal Council, on a charge of obstructing traffic, Dr. Tartois has himself addressed a letter to Mr. Stirling Fessenden, Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council, enclosing a cheque for \$100 which, he said, he had fined himself.

Dr. Tartois recently stopped the traffic for seven minutes on the Nanking Road by parking his motor car squarely in front of a tramcar, explaining that he did so because the British Police Court had dismissed a similar charge brought against a Britisher by the French Police.

In his letter, Dr. Tartois says he realises that the British Court must abide by the technicalities of the law, but he wished to demonstrate that the law must be amended or some action taken to punish deliberate obstructions of this sort. The French Police are now appealing in the case against the Britisher to the British Supreme Court.

RUGBY.

TOMORROW'S CUP-TIE.

There will undoubtedly be a big crowd at Happy Valley to-morrow to witness the rugby cup-tie match between the Club and the Navy. That it will be an even and hardly fought out game is certain. The Club has defeated Navy once this year in the Cup and, as there is no Army team competing, to-morrow's game might easily decide the destination of the trophy. If the Club win or make a draw they will be the winners, but should the Navy win, another match will be necessitated, probably on a mid-week date when the Club could not put out so strong a side. The Club men are, therefore, all out to win. The rain of the past two days should have softened the ground somewhat, and play should be of a high standard.

The Club have had a most successful season, so far. They have played seven games, winning five. They lost one friendly game to the Navy and lost to Shanghai in the Interport. They have beaten the Navy and other Navy fifteen four times, and the Bank team once.

There will possibly be a few alterations in the team as compared with that already announced. The kick-off is at 4 p.m.

THE RACES.

ANOTHER RECORD ENTRY.

The annual Race Meeting, to be held at Happy Valley next month, promises to be as equally successful as any of its predecessors. Entries closed last Saturday and although the work of arranging and publishing them is not yet complete, we learn that the number of ponies and entries is easily a record. Over \$13,000 has been realised in entrance fees—an increase of over \$600 on last year.

The training season is in full swing and there is a big crowd every morning to watch the gallops, especially on Wednesday and Saturday. Although there are some good times being recorded, it is much too early yet to give any forecasts or to pick out any individual pony for special comment. The course is getting into much better condition and, by the time the actual race meeting comes round, there should be nothing to hinder an

BIG ARMS SEIZURE.

VERITABLE ARSENAL ON BOARD SHIP.

One of the largest seizure of arms ever made on a boat in the waters of the Colony was made by the Harbour Police this morning. The s.s. Bendoran, which came into port yesterday and whose agents are Messrs. Gibb, Livingstone and Co., Ltd., was boarded by the police this morning in consequence of information received. After a careful search the arms were found concealed in sacks.

The haul comprised no fewer than 62 revolvers, three Mauser pistols, 10,000 rounds of Mauser ammunition and 5,400 rounds of revolver ammunition. The police have taken charge of this veritable arsenal.

No arrests have been made, but it is stated that several of the firemen have been discharged.

CANTON "SLAVES."

FREEDOM FOR ONE DOLLAR.

A report from Canton states that although no important military movements are taking place at the moment, the commandeering of coolies is again in full swing.

Those who pay one dollar for an exemption disc are set free after being commandeered, with the result that large numbers of such discs have been sold, whilst a large quantity of men ordered to meet future demands.

TROUBLESOME SHIP.

FATAL FIGHT AT SHANGHAI.

It will be recalled that the German crew of the s.s. Paul Regardant gave considerable trouble in Hongkong recently, particularly, we understand, in connection with the engaging of a Chinese crew at this port. After much delay, things were more or less patched up and the vessel left for Shanghai early this month.

At the Northern port, however, a fight between the German and Chinese seamen developed last Saturday, in which two of the latter were wounded, one of them dying on Monday. A Shanghai paper reports: "Various accounts of the affair have appeared in the Chinese press, all of them suggesting that the German members of the crew were to blame. One version was to the effect that the quarrel began when the captain summarily discharged two men who were organizing an agitation for higher wages, and another story states that the Chinese were set upon for no reason whatever. The Seamen's Union has issued an appeal asking that justice shall be done to the men who were arrested, otherwise 'the Chinese will become more despised and the spirit of the deceased will never be appeased.' The appeal concludes: 'If a fox can tamely the killing of a rabbit, humanity cannot allow the killing of a human being to pass without some expression of regret.'"

HOW TROUBLE AROSE.
Another account states—Mr. Eggibrecht, chief engineer of the steamer Paul Regardant, was taken to hospital suffering from six severe cuts on his head as the result of a fight on board the vessel as she lay off the Kaiyohs Wharf on Saturday. Two of the Chinese crew were shot, and several others, including foreign officers, received slight injuries. It is reported that the Chinese firemen attacked the officers with spunkies, files and pieces of iron and the fighting was so severe that the officers, all Germans, had to draw their pistols in self-defence. The trouble is stated to have originated on the way up from Hongkong, and on the vessel's arrival here a few batch of firemen was engaged to replace the old batch. A fight broke out between the two gangs of firemen, and the foreign officers were

LOCAL RADIO.

HONGKONG BEING LEFT BEHIND.

We have received the following letter for publication:—

Sir,—The delay in getting something done about radio in Hongkong is making this community look very foolish in the eyes of our Far Eastern neighbours, and in this connection I heartily agree with your editorial in last evening's Telegraph calling upon the Government to make a move. I have heard it said that certain Government officials, when asked what they are doing about radio, impatiently say that there are more important matters engaging their attention. But I would like to point out that the Japanese Government, even in the after-struggle of their recent disaster, promulgated broadcasting laws on December 20 last, with definite regulations based on the experience of the countries, and a study of these regulations shows that our Japanese friends have apparently been well advised, for commonsense and fairness to all concerned is the keynote of the law governing radio in that country.

It is common talk that the wireless expert the Hongkong Government has recently imported is making no recommendations to the Government, as his position does not allow him to do anything until the Government itself moves. How much longer is red-tape of this kind to rule the Hongkong community, and retard our progress? Are British interests to be the very last to establish radio in this Far East, for Japan, Indo-China, and the Philippines already have well defined rules governing the new science and its applications?

It is true, Sir, that two broadcasting sets have been operating in Hongkong for the last few months, one by a British Company established, I understand, to carry on radio as a business in this district. I hold no brief for this Company, but results count, and under the uncertain and limited conditions, it has given us radio finds a chance, with its remarkable good work, to know what radio might be if it were on a proper footing here. For instance, it gave Hongkong a good advertisement the other day when it successfully broadcasted a radio dance to the visitors on the s.s. "Franconia," which was heard in Swatow, Amoy, and even farther away, and this stunt was very favourably commented upon by visiting authorities on the steamer who know what radio is in other countries. Now surely the Government could take this Company into its confidence and accomplish something tangible. I think I speak for a good majority of the local radio fans when I say that we cannot expect anything from the Hongkong Radio Society, for to date, their record of accomplishment can be designated by the figures point nought, nought, nought.

I would also like to know, Sir, whether it is a fact, as is freely stated, that the Company I refer to above, has been enterprising enough to commence the erection of a powerful broadcast station in Macao, with the co-operation of the Portuguese Government. If this is so, I think it a matter over which the Hongkong Government should hang its head in shame that it could not have obtained the station for this Colony. Is it too late? Surely not only the radio enthusiasts, but the shipping and business interests are due a little action. Thanking you for this space, Sir, and hoping that others interested will add their weight to your urging.

Yours etc.,

"STEP ON IT."

Hongkong, January 25, 1924.

HIS CHIEF QUALIFICATION.

Cashier—I don't believe, dear, that your father will consent to our marriage.
Banker's Daughter—Oh, yes, he will after he has examined your books. "Hall" want to keep

SINGAPORE SCHEME SAID TO BE ABANDONED.

"IN THE INTERESTS OF ECONOMY."

(Reuter's Service.)

London, January 24.
According to the Westminster Gazette, the Government has already decided to abandon the Singapore scheme in the interests of economy.

BRITAIN TO RECOGNISE RUSSIA.

FIRST ACTION OF NEW GOVERNMENT.

London, January 24.
Reuter learns that it can now be stated definitely that, should the Russian Government be accorded recognition by Britain, the appointment of Captain James O'Grady as Ambassador to Moscow will be announced immediately. The opinion is expressed in Ministerial circles that diplomatic recognition of Russia is a foregone conclusion as the result of the general election and the attitude of manufacturers generally.

[Captain James O'Grady, the Ambassador-to-be, is a J. P. and was elected Labour M. P. for S. E. Leeds in 1918. He is the general secretary of the National Federation of General Workers. Born at Bristol in 1865, educated at St. Mary's R.C. School there, became member of Town Council; served with British, French and Russian forces 1915 to 1918; sent by Government on special mission to Russia in 1917, and negotiated exchange of prisoners of war with the Soviet in 1919. Carried out special recruiting work in Ireland in 1918.]

(Reuter's American Service.)

AMERICAN OIL CONTRACTS CONTROVERSY.

Washington, January 24.
Before the Senate committee, Mr. Doheny's attorney suggested that President Coolidge be asked to appoint a board of experts to examine all the facts regarding contracts with the Pan-American Oil Company, and if the board reported that the contracts at the time of making were not wise, desirable or advantageous for the Government the Company would convey to the Government all its interests in such contracts.

Mr. Doheny, the Californian oil operator, testifying before the Senate committee which is investigating the charges against Ex-Secretary Fall in connection with the Teadome oil leases, stated he lent Mr. Fall a hundred thousand dollars on November 30th, 1921. The loan was made by witness personally. The money did not belong to any oil company in which he was interested. The purpose of the loan was to enable Mr. Fall to enlarge his ranch holdings in New Mexico. There was no discussion at the time of any contract between the Government and the Doheny oil interest. The loan had no relation to any subsequent transactions relative to oil leases. Mr. Doheny declared he left Los Angeles on January 17th, in order to give this information, travelling via New Orleans to apprise Mr. Fall of his intention. Mr. Doheny said he regretted not giving the facts when he previously before the committee, but to have done so would have been volunteering something in no way connected with the contracts with the Pan-American Petroleum Transport Company. He declared he had known Mr. Fall intimately for thirty years, and his only thought was to help an old friend. He intended to require Mr. Fall to repay the loan.

ANGLO-BRAZILIAN COMMERCE.

Rio de Janeiro, January 24.
Members of the British financial and economic mission to Brazil have been appointed honorary members of the local Commercial Association. Mr. Edwin S. Montagu in a speech before the Assembly of the Association declared that British capital would continue to go to Brazil, Britain being desirous of being in the forefront of economic co-operation with Brazil.

U. S. WARSHIPS LEAVING MEXICO.

Washington, January 24.
Upon receipt of advices by the State Department that the rebel leaders in Mexico have definitely and absolutely abandoned the blockade, the cruiser Richmond has been ordered to be withdrawn from Tampico. It is understood that when salvage work on the wrecked Tacoma has been completed the cruiser Omaha and six American destroyers now at Vera Cruz will also be recalled.

(Other Telegrams on Page 2.)

KWONG TAK PIRATES.

RUMOURS OF SUMMA RY TREATMENT.

Rumours have prevailed in town to-day, to the effect that the pirates who were caught by the Chinese Maritime Customs cruiser after the launch Kwong Tak had been sunk, have been shot out of hand by the Chinese authorities to whom they were handed over. We have made enquiries in official circles and can receive no confirmation of the rumour, which appears to have been brought down by passengers from Macao yesterday.

It is much more likely, we are told, that all the men and the two women will be taken to Canton for punishment. The officer at Chinsan intimated, when the gang was handed over to him, that he would send them to his district headquarters, for he believed that it was a sufficiently serious case to merit being sent to Canton. Nothing further.

OPIMUM "SUPPRESSION."

TO YIELD \$57,000 DAILY.

A report from Canton states that the Opium Suppression Bureau has drawn up a list of branch departments for the disposal of prepared opium along the North and West River districts. The East River district is not included, as this is in the scope of the Yunnanese troops. Altogether there are twenty-three principal departments, which are to supply opium to forty-six districts. The tender for each department must include a guarantee to provide a specified amount of opium. It has been calculated that 4,700 tons will be sold daily, and that the revenue coming to the Bureau will be \$67,000 per day.

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EARLIER SPECIAL CABLES.

(United Press Service to the "Telegraph").

THE POLAR REGIONS.

Ottawa, Jan. 24.
Canada will protest against any seizure of Polar land by the
American naval expedition, and has requested the British Embassy
at Washington to keep her posted.

LENIN'S DEATH.

Moscow, Jan. 24.
Lenin's body has arrived. Conditions are quiet.

THE MEXICAN REBELS.

New York, Jan. 24.
Secretary of State Hughes in a speech defended the sale of
arms to President Obregon, on the grounds that the rebels' motives
are trivial and selfish.Vera Cruz, Jan. 24.
De la Huerta has permanently lifted the blockade.Washington, Jan. 24.
It is stated that the Mexican rebels while nominally respect-
ing the American protests and affirming that the blockade has been
technically lifted, will declare a zone of naval warfare off Tampico,
through which merchant ships will pass at their own risk.—Reuter's
American Service.

LABOUR'S FIRST CABINET MEETING.

London, Jan. 24.
The first meeting of the new Cabinet is considering the railway
strike. The strike situation has reached deadlock.London, Jan. 24.
An interesting innovation in the Cabinet system was agreed to
at yesterday's Cabinet meeting, in the shape of a plan for the
formation of small committees to deal with separate phases of
domestic policy, and to prepare schemes and decisions for the full
Cabinet so as to enable the latter to devote its time to broad policy.—
Reuter.

THE HOME RAILWAY STRIKE.

London, Jan. 24.
The railway companies regard the position as about the same.
Certain industries are feeling increased effects of the strike. Over
100,000 miners in South Wales and 6,000 in the Lethians are idle.
The railway managers this morning replied to a request from the
executive of the Locomotive Society for a fresh conference, saying
this is being considered. The Executive, Mr. Bromley stated in reply,
still refused to recognise the findings of the National Wages Board
as other than a compulsory arbitration award. Mr. Bromley claimed
that the strikers' position was strengthening, and mentioned a
receipt of a cablegram from the Federation of Engineers of Australia
offering the utmost financial assistance, which the executive had
declined to accept.—Reuter.

CRITICAL DAYS IN GREECE.

Athens, Jan. 24.
The National Assembly met last night. The galleries were
crowded and the Royal box was thrown open to people unable to
find seats. M. Venizelos was tremendously applauded when he stated
that the Government thought the only means of solving the dynastic
question was by a plebiscite. This declaration aroused protests from
the ex-Royalists, and M. Papadimitriou proposed bills to over-
throw the dynasty and establish a republic. M. Venizelos, inter-
rupting, said if people were allowed to choose their own regime, and
favoured a republic he would tell them there would be no occasion
for fear external dangers in connection with the dynastic question.—
Reuter.

THE LABOUR GOVERNMENT.

Bombay, Jan. 24.
The constitution of the British Ministry is generally acclaimed
as an able, well-balanced combination. The *Hindu*, a Madras daily,
publishes a message from Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, pleading for
reason and goodwill between India and Great Britain, and declaring:
"No party in Britain will be moved by threats of force, or policies
designed to bring government to a standstill and if any Indian
sections imagine otherwise, events will sadly disappoint them."—
Reuter.

BANK OF NETHERLANDS RAISES DISCOUNT RATE.

Amsterdam, Jan. 24.
The Bank of the Netherlands has increased its rate of discount
from 4 1/2% to 5%, and its rate on securities from 5% to 5 1/2%.
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THE KA-NGO PIRACY.

SMART POLICE WORK.

Arising out of the piracy of the
steam launch Ka-ngo on Decem-
ber 5th last, five men and a woman
were charged before Mr. J. R.
Wood at the Magistracy yesterday.
The men with piracy and the
woman with possession of stolen
property and a dagger. The male
defendants are Cheung Ku, Lam
Che-sau, Ng Tai, Chan Heung-tsun,
and Lui In-m.Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, Assistant
Crown Solicitor, represented the
Crown. Outlining the facts, Mr.
Hazlerigg said the Ka-ngo was
running between Amoy and Chan
Chau and Hing Wa, Fukien. At
7 a.m. on December 5th the launch
left Amoy for Chan Chau with a
crew of 52, including the com-
pounder's staff, and about 400 pas-
sengers, among whom were a number
of Chinese merchants recently re-
turned from Java and the Straits,
who were proceeding to their
homes in Fukien. As was usually
the case, the merchants were
carrying large sums of money, some
in Yuan Shi-kai dollars, in addi-
tion to a considerable amount of
jewellery. Twelve of these mer-
chants had arrived in Hongkong in
connection with the case and
according to their losses com-
puted about \$25,000 in cash, 21
gold rings and other articles of
jewellery. At 11.30 the same
morning, while the launch was
north-east of Amoy, the pirates,
numbering about 25, seized the
boat, and one of the passengers
was shot in the shoulder. Two
men armed with revolvers went
into the wheel house and threat-
ened the coxswain who, from that
time until the pirates left, was
under armed guard. The defend-
ant Cheung Ku took an active part
in the proceedings and gave direc-
tions to the coxswain as regards
steering. The Ka-ngo was turned
in a southerly course, no chart
being given to the coxswain.
Meanwhile, the passengers werestripped of their valuables, their
trunks were forced open and every-
thing of value was removed. All
the male defendants had been
identified as having taken part in
the looting.

The Pirates Land.

Steaming at full speed in day-
time and going slowly at night,
the launch went on her course
until the early morning of the 7th
when she arrived at what was
apparently the pirates' rendezvous,
a place believed to be Ping Hoi.
Here the pirates fired a number of
shots and a fleet of junks and
small boats then hove in sight.
Into these boats when they drew
alongside the pirates transferred
their booty, which was taken
ashore. The coxswain of the
launch was told that he could
take the launch back to Amoy.The sequel to the piracy, Mr.
Hazlerigg said, came on the 14th
December, when Detective Supt.
Chan Hung, acting on informa-
tion, shadowed the defendants
Cheung Ku and Lam Che-sau and
followed them from Canton Road,
Yau-mat, over to Hongkong. He
trailed them until 5.45 p.m., when
with the assistance of Lance-Sgt.
Dunger and another policeman,
whom he met on the way, he put
the two men under arrest. The
first defendant, Cheung Ku, said
he lived at 216 Canton Road,
Yau-mat, where he was principal
tenant. His companion gave his
address as 11 Portland Street, but
on enquiries being made it was
found that he was not known
there. This man had on him one
\$100 and two \$100 notes, as well
as some jewellery.

Stolen Property Recovered.

About 9.30 the same night
Inspector Murphy, with Detective
Sgt. Chan Hung, raided 216 Canton
Road, and there, in turning over
the sheet of the bed in a cubicle
in which the female defendant was
found, they discovered the dagger.
This, the woman said, had been
left behind by a friend. When
ordered by the Inspector to empty
her pockets, the woman pro-AMERICAN
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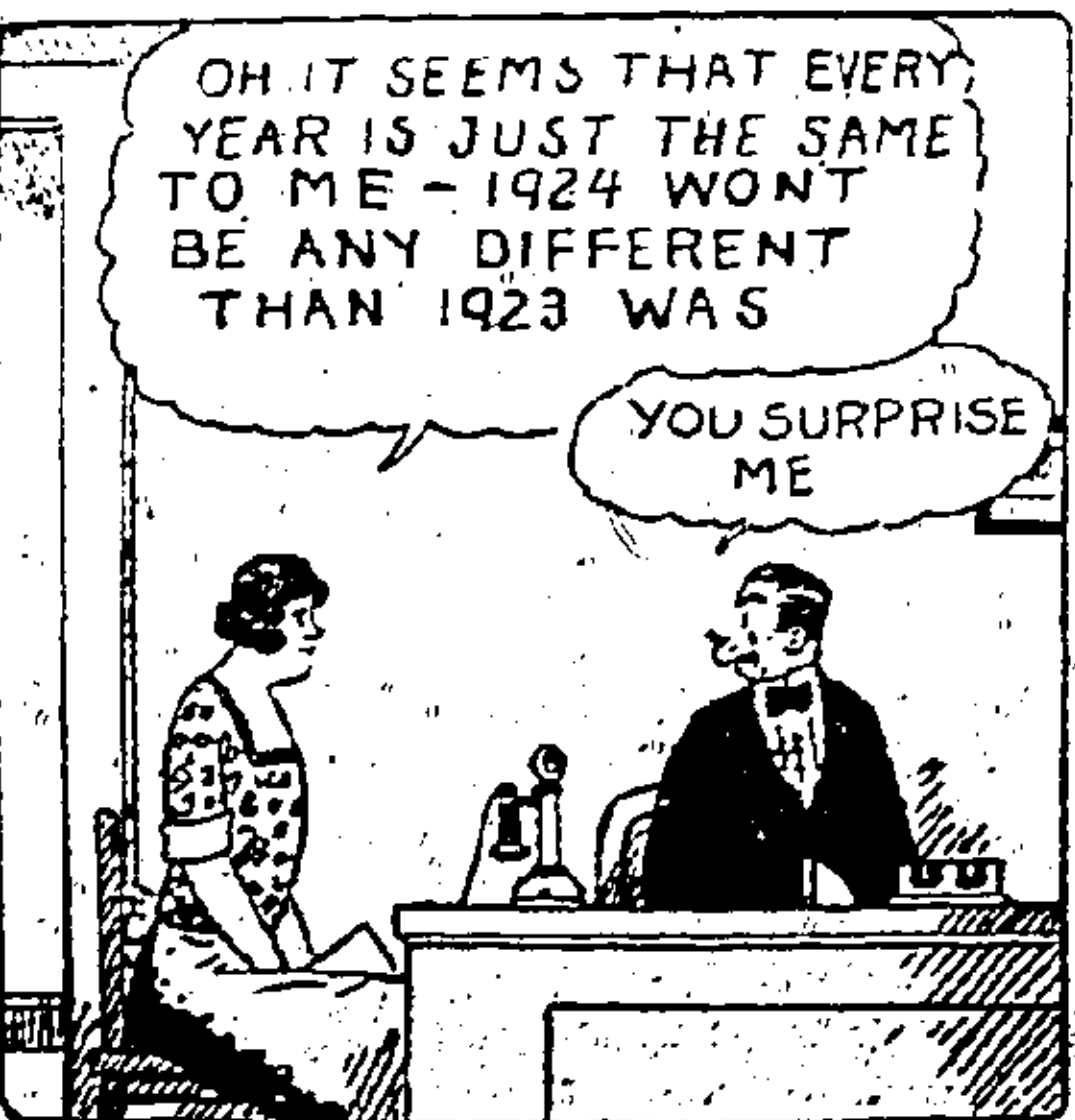
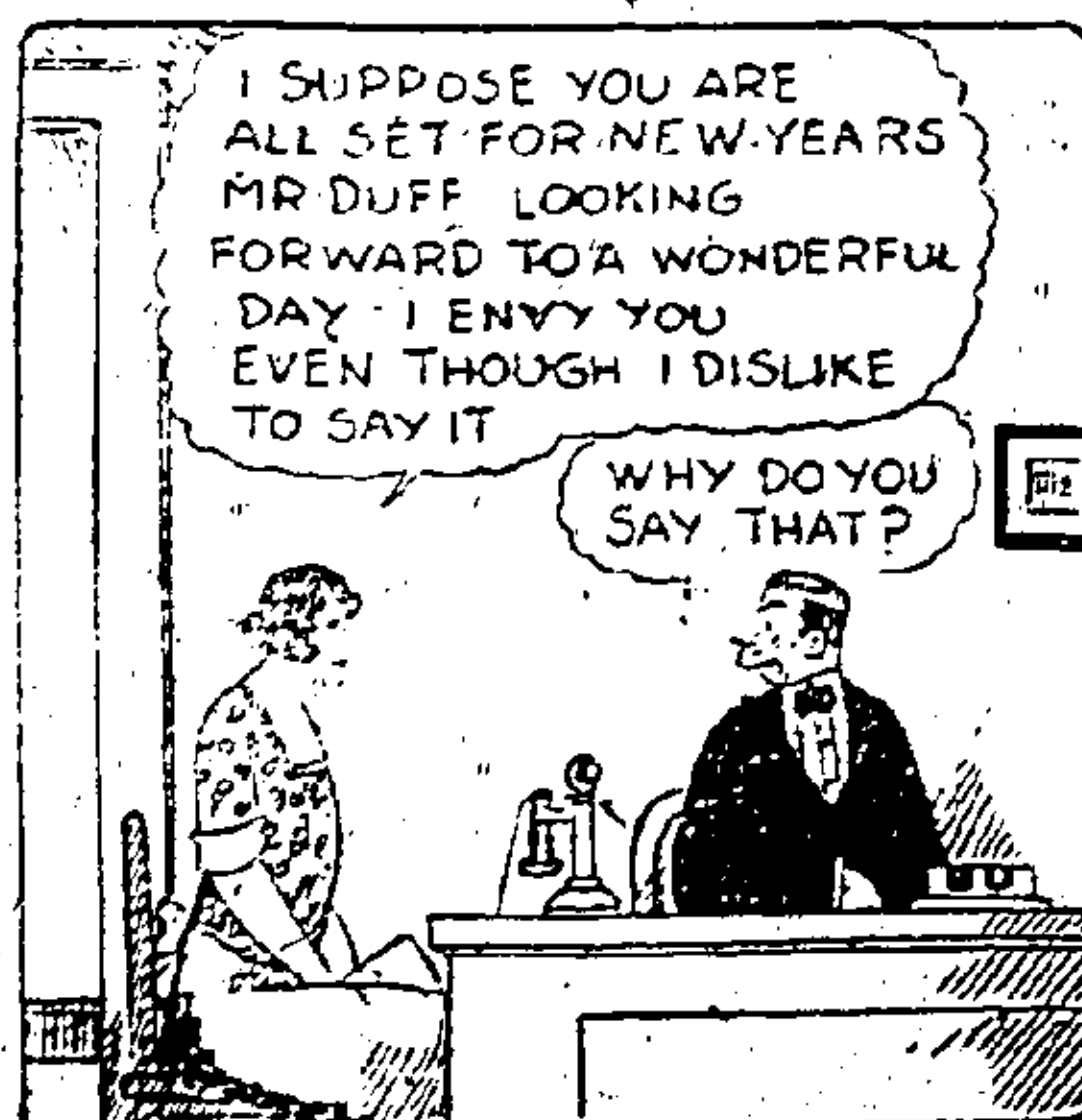
(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Jan. 24.
Major Arthur Bassett, of the
British-American Tobacco Co., was
elected President of the American
Association of China at the annual
meeting.daced four rolls of Fukien bank-
notes to the value of \$982, also one
roll of Hongkong notes amounting
to \$950, and six rings. In a
canvas-covered box claimed by her
the police found among other
things, two rings which had been
identified by victims of the piracy,
who were able to produce bills
proving their purchase. In the
house was found the defendant
Ng Tai.On the 6th January the defen-
dants Chan Heung-tsun and Lui
In-m were arrested after having
been turned off the steamer Hanoi
as undesirable. On the 9th
January they were identified at
the Water Police Station as being
among the pirates, one of them
by three men and the other by
one. The defendants were paraded
with 23 others. On the after-
noon of the same day, at another
identification parade at Victoria
Gaol, the defendants Cheung Ku,
Lam Che-sau and Ng Tai were
ranged among 19 others. All the
defendants were picked out, the
first by four persons, the second
by three and the third by two.Mr. Hazlerigg then read out a
list of jewellery found at 216
Canton Road, which had been
identified as part of the stolen
property. The Assistant Crown
Solicitor said he would prove that
on the 9th December the defendant
Cheung Ku changed \$5,000 in Yuan
Shi-kai dollars into Hongkong cur-
rency.Evidence was taken, after which
the case was adjourned.

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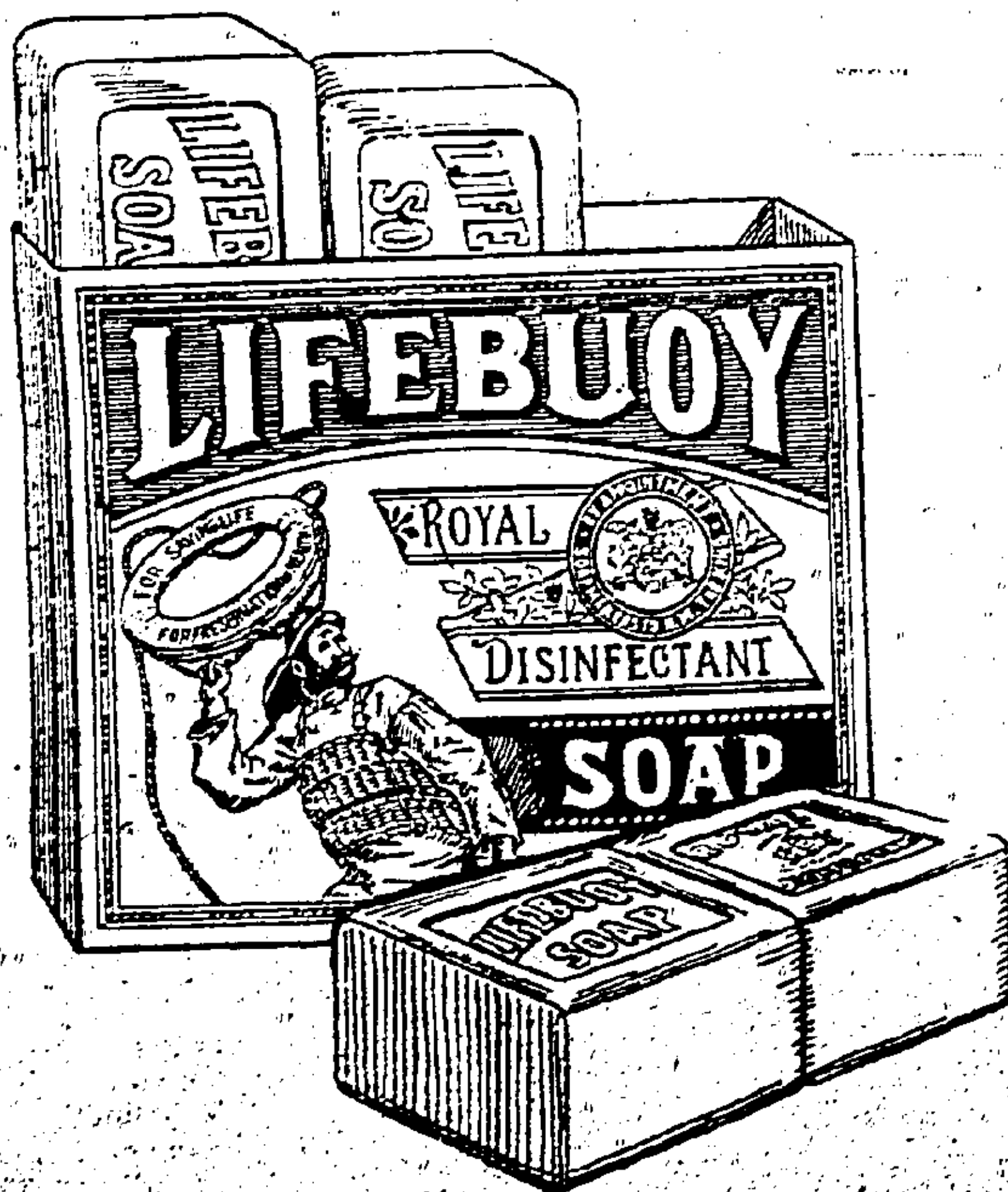
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PEACE AT LAST.

CHEKIANG-KIANGSU TROUBLE SETTLED.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Jan. 24.

As a result of mediation by the gentry of Chekiang and Kiangsu, Lu Yung-shiang and Chih Shieh-yuan have exchanged letters of greeting for the first time since Chekiang declared its independence, and have agreed to issue a joint proclamation reiterating their peaceful intentions toward each other, and their firm resolution to uphold the Chekiang-Kiangsu peace treaty. The move is seen as the first indication of the easing of the strained relationship existing between the two factions, which was the outcome of the assassination of Hsu Kuo-hang, the chief of Shanghai constabulary, and the demand by both sides to appoint his successor.

CIGARETTE SURTAX.

BIG STRIKE OF CHINESE CIGARETTE DEALERS.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Jan. 24.

One hundred Chinese cigarette dealers protested to General Ho Feng-shan against the enforcement of the Cigarette surtax of twenty per cent. He replied that the tax was an entirely civil matter, and ordered from Nanking and he could not interfere. However, he agreed to ask for a postponement of the tax pending a settlement of the dispute through diplomatic channels. The matter was recently taken up by the U. S. Minister, Dr. Schurman, with Hanksow and Chekiang. A general strike of cigarette shops in Chinese territory was called as a protest move.

THE COLORUMS.

A SURPRISE ATTACK.

Manila, Jan. 24.—Aided by a machine gun barrage from the U. S. S. Sacramento, a hundred Constabulary, under Colonel C. H. Bowers, landed on Burias Island at eight yesterday morning and there, at the trenches of the Colorums, whom they routed completely. One Constabularyman was killed. The Colorum loss is unknown, but two dead and two wounded were found. Col. Bowers immediately reboarded the Sacramento, after burning the Colorum town, fearing that weather conditions would force the Sacramento from the coast.—Reuter.

MOROS RUN AMOK.

KILL 9 AND WOUND 19 ON DUTCH STEAMER.

Manila, Jan. 24.—A constabulary report says that two Moros from the island of Sulu, near Mindanao, killed nine Dutch subjects, and wounded nineteen aboard a Dutch vessel, then jumped overboard. The Dutch shot at them and killed both. Both were followers of Panglima Sapudin, a Moro chief who was ostensibly fighting in the Celebes. While there Sapudin's men had an altercation with natives, who wounded two Moros. The latter were taken aboard a Dutch steamer, where they ran amok. Sapudin and his band were arrested by the Dutch for their associates' crime. Gov.-General Wood intervened, and secured their release and return to the Philippines.—Reuter.

CRICKET.

CHINESE R. C. v. INDIAN R. C.

The following players will represent the Chinese R. C. second eleven against the Indian's second string at Causeway Bay on Saturday.—J. M. Tan (Capt.), Wong Po-keung, C. E. Wong, Wan Lu-shing, C. F. Lee, K. L. Chan, Leung Kum-cheung, Henry Kew, S. T. Wong, Y. M. Shi and Cheung Wing-kin. The following will represent the Indian Recreation Club 2nd XI in a League match against the Chinese Recreation Club 2nd XI on the latter's ground to-morrow, commencing at 2.15 p.m.—D. Ramjahn (Capt.), Sirdar Khem, E. A. Moosdeen, Y. A. Wahab, O. Ramjahn, H. D. Ramjahn, I. Hassan, M. P. Madar, A. Kitchell, A. H. M. Samy and R. Nazaria.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor of the Hongkong "Telegraph.")

The Royal Colonial Institute.

Sir,—It seems to me that many of those who are going Home this year to see the British Empire Exhibition may desire to join the above Institute which has done admirable imperial work on non-party lines, during the past 50 years.

The Institute building, in Northumberland Avenue, comprises luncheon, reading, writing, reception, billiard, and smoking rooms, and also a ladies' drawing room. The library contains 150,000 volumes relating to the history, government, trade, resource and development of the British Dominions and Colonies; the newspaper-room includes 800 newspapers, magazines and reviews from all quarters of the Empire.

In addition Fellows receive gratis the interesting monthly publication of the Institute, "United Empire". I shall be most happy to put up any candidates who desire to join. Non-resident Fellows pay an entrance fee of £1.1.0 and an annual subscription of £1.10.0.—Yours etc.,

H. E. POLLACK,
Hon. Corresponding Secretary,
Princess Building, Hongkong,
24th Jan., 1924.

BRITISH EMPIRE EXHIBITION.

BLUE FUNNEL LINER FOR CHINESE EXHIBITORS.

Accommodation is being provided by the Blue Funnel Line for the main body of the Chinese exhibitors proceeding to the British Empire Exhibition on the Aspern which sails on February 11th.

The ship is being specially fitted up in Shanghai, as her stay in Hongkong is not long enough. The male exhibitors will be accommodated in a large saloon on deck level, the accommodation being of superior type and well ventilated. Lavatory accommodation is some little distance away on the same deck. Beds in tiers of two occupy the sides of the saloon and small tables for meals, making it possible for friends to sit together, occupy the centre of the saloon. The women, of whom there are 9, will have separate accommodation for ward.

Messrs. Jack A. Tai, who have long experience, are sending a special staff of caterers to provide Chinese meals on board, and the Shipping Co. has made special provision for cold storage. Chinese representatives on the local British Empire Exhibition Committee have been in close touch with the shipping company and the caterers whilst these arrangements have been made, and it is confidently believed that they will be found very suitable and comfortable.

OUR LITERARY ARTISTS.

Collecting Debts Stylishly.

A correspondent forwards to the *Maly Mail* the amusing letter given below. The writers describe themselves among many other things as "suppliers of servants, cooks boys, managers assistants, dressers, conductors, clerks, engine drivers, etc." Their literary skill may be judged from the letter.

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But now you have broken your word. And that is something few self-respecting men can bring themselves to do. But you can redeem yourself. Do it now.

Please attach your remittance right to the letter. We will understand and promptly send you full receipt and will report your payment to our client immediately, and everybody will be happy.

Cordially yours,

CHINESE ADVENTURER.

The Travels of Fa-hsien.

Professor H. A. Giles has retranslated the adventures of Fa-hsien. The hero of these travels may be taken as being one of the world's greatest voyagers, in view of the fact that facilities were few and primitive at the time of his adventure. What the traveller had to undergo shows that he had such a spirit of equanimity as enabled him to surmount difficulties that the majority would not only have quailed before, but would have succumbed to. Fa-hsien practically walked from Central China across the desert of Gobi, over the Hindu Kush, and through India down to the mouth of the Hoogly, where he took ship and returned by sea to China, which he reached after hairbreadth escapes. As Prof. Giles tells us in his introductory note, his journey was "a supremely dangerous expedition, in the glow of which the journeys of St. Paul melt into insignificance." His account is one not only of earnest zeal and steadfast faith, but it gives us a picture of what state of grandeur the Buddhist religion had attained in the early years of the fifth century A. D. Incidentally, the little book, issued by the Cambridge University Press, gives us a very interesting epitome of Buddhism and the Trinity of Buddhism. The religion became known to the Chinese early in the third century B. C. Fa-hsien's travels, from which he returned, did much to advance it, as he brought back the books of Buddhist Canon and the images of Buddhist deities which had been the object of his search.

A useful bibliographical note, and an explanation of the terms used by Fa-hsien are given, whilst on the last page and the inside of the cover we have a map showing the route of the travels, which began at Chang-an (Hsi-an), and after many years terminated on the coast of Shantung. The sea-voyage home was full of perils: the captain lost his reckoning, and provisions and water were nearly exhausted, sea water being used for cooking. It was only when Kiao-chow was reached they got fresh water and vegetables. Fa-hsien had been six years travelling from Chang-an to Central India, having first gone some distance west of Peshawar, and he spent six more years in that country; three more were spent in reaching home. Truly a wonderful record of faith and endurance, which met with the reward they deserved in achieving the object of the travels.

ILLITERATE SPAIN.

Neglected Schools and Universities.

According to official statistics, 60 per cent. of the population of Spain is completely illiterate, but it must be borne in mind (says a writer in the "Nineteenth century") that out of the remaining 40 per cent. which is supposed to be able to read and to write, at least one-half can scarcely spell, even by helping itself with a finger or by a loud voice. Hundreds of thousands of children grow up without receiving the slightest instruction; in many smaller towns and villages no schools exist, or the existing ones are in ruins. The Spanish school teacher is the worst paid of all Spanish public servants; he is living on a famine salary inferior to that of a rural postman. Indeed, one may safely state in no European country is public education in a more neglected state than in Spain. As to secondary education, the few existing State schools are of a rudimentary type with only a few pupils, as most of the well-to-do families send their children to private colleges run by monks (Jesuits, etc.)

The Spanish universities, too, are far below the standard of modern high schools; most of the professors owe their posts to the favour of the caciques, not to their personal merits, although there are some praiseworthy exceptions.

The low educational degree of the masses is chiefly responsible for the prevailing all-round corruption and made possible the rule of the caciques; it is quite impossible to run a modern State with a population whose educational standard is that of Turkey or Persia.

FOOTBALL

AT

SOOKUMPOO.

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THE PONY PROBLEM.

Another Ingenious Suggestion.

When, as most racing men be-
lieve eventually must happen, a
China Jockey Club is formed, or
even if there should be only the
appointment of a temporary com-
mission representative of all the
race clubs to consolidate all the
rules that have been made in the
north, in Hongkong and in Shang-
hai with a view to eliminating
the halfbred pony and confining
racing to the China pony proper,
there will be no lack of sugges-
tions from amongst which they
may be able to select some ideas
which will ease the situation.
Not all, of course, are feasible,
but most of them are very in-
teresting to listen to, for it is an
all absorbing topic. A Shanghai
owner has propounded an in-
genious scheme, says the *North
China Daily News*.

He is one of those who believe
that, despite all the efforts now
being made to rule out the half-
breds, many ponies taken into
racing stables recently are half-
breds and that this type of pony
will continue to come down in
ever increasing numbers. He says,
also, that the small racing man
is as badly off as ever, even
though dealers, through the opera-
tion of the auction rule, have
been prevented from fixing their
own prices for ponies that pro-
spective owners had to take on
trust. He points out that, though
a man now can see the ponies be-
fore he bids for them and even
can have them timed, should it
happen that any ponies look
particularly attractive or show
anything suggestive of racing
speed, there is a rapid-fire of
bids and eventually they are
knocked down for higher average
prices than was the case before.

DEMAND REMAINS.

This, it is suggested, has nothing
whatever to do with the
breeding of the ponies, for a dem-
and has been created and prices
have risen with it, so that it is
probable as high prices always
will be paid provided the ponies
are all of a class. That is to say,
if in future years the type of
racing pony degenerates so that
the animals are no better than the
average sub-griffin, people still
will pay £15, 1,000 and more for
the most promising ones, simply
because of the keen desire to get
the best of a class.

Now for the proposal which is
to remedy all this. It is sug-
gested that the animals now in train-
ing be grouped under a distinct
name and that races be ar-
ranged for them for so long as it
is possible to get an entry of, say,
10 or 15, which probably would be
for about another five years.
Then there would be a still more
rigorous inspection of griffins, to
ensure that those allowed
in were China ponies be-
yond any question, and presu-
mably these also would have to be
raced amongst themselves, as the
whole argument centres round
the contention that the China
pony has no chance against a
halfbred. One does not quite see
how the Champions entry would
be arranged, unless there were
two Champions races, one for
each class. The most revolution-
ary part of the idea, however, is
the suggested manner of checking
the rising prices, this being that
all ponies should be distributed
as sub-griffins. There would be
no limit to the number of ponies
any owner could ask for—he
could have one only, or 20 or 30
if he liked—but there would be
a fixed price and they all would be
drawn for.

Such a condition of affairs
would be so nearly ideal that,
with things as they are, one can
only dream of it, for there would
be a deadlock if the price of a
pony in any season was fixed at

SEEING NUMBERS.

Varying Mental
Photographs.

Have you any idea of what is
meant by a million? To reply
that it is "a thousand thousand"
is merely begging the question.
The human mind, though it is ca-
pable of juggling with figures and
statistics, has really no true con-
ception of large numbers.

A correspondent recently wrote
to the *Daily Express* pointing
out that the statement that there
were a million and a half unem-
ployed in this country would con-
vey little to the average man; if
as he suggested, we are told that
a procession of these unemployed,
six deep, would extend over so
many miles and would take so
long to pass a given point, the
mind has something definite to
fix upon and a practical idea
which it can grasp.

This visualising of figures, size,
and distance is almost instinc-
tive. We cannot conceive "a
million" but with concrete terms
the mind's eye gets a mental
picture, a comparison is made
with some familiar distance or
area, and the number becomes
something that is real and un-
derstandable.

An interesting experiment can
be carried out. Ask a number of
friends what is the mental picture
photographed on their minds
when you say the word
"five." Some people see the
figure 5, others the written
word; to some the number
appears as five upright strokes—
11111—or five articles, or five
people; others will visualise five
dots in a horizontal line, while
some will mentally picture the
dots, arranged as the pips on a
playing card, thus . . . a few,
but not many, see the Roman
numeral V.

No doubt the psycho-analyst
would find some theory of a
"complex" to explain all this,
but it is an interesting fact that
mental photography can produce
so many variations. C. D. M. in
Daily Express.

TALE OF A WATCH.

Glesga's Slick Yins.

The loss of Mr. H. J. Tennant's
gold watch at the close of an
election meeting recalls an
ancient tale of the skill of Glas-
gow pick-pockets. Over a cup
of coffee in a tea-room in
Buchanan-street a London
detective had been chaffing a
Glasgow confederate about the
clumsy slowness of the Glasgow
criminal as compared with the
sharp alertness of the Cockney.
The Glasgow detective was
jealous for the reputation of his
own "crooks," and finally bet the
other £10 that he would lose
his watch without knowing it
before reaching St. Enoch-
square, about 200 yards off. They
left the tea-room: the London
man went on; the Glasgow man
called to him a pick-pocket well
known to the police, and said
(pointing to the Londoner): "See
that man? I want you to get me
his watch. I'll give you £5 and see
that you don't get into trouble."
"Is it straight?" said the man.
"Straight," said the detective.
"You know me." "Oh, well," said
the man, "if it's straight—here
it is!"

a figure which the breeders re-
fused to accept. However, such a
scheme would work very well in
conjunction with Major Key-
lock's suggested stud farm, if the
latter were under club manage-
ment, for then there would be no
need to make more money than
would cover expenses.

LIFE IN JAPAN.

A Story of Tidal Waves.

In the course of a most inter-
esting account of some aspects of
life in Japan given in a lecture
at the Royal Geographical
Society, on Dec. 17, the Rev.
Walter Weston dealt with Tidal
Waves. He instanced:

The waves frequently sweep in
without warning, and I have seen
fishing boats left by the receding
waters high and dry in the tops
of pine trees on the devastated
shore. In one case a man
walking on the sands sought
safety from the threatening
wave by scrambling into one of
the long lines of boats that barred
his way. This was swept for-
ward, and finally left resting on
the roof of a solidly-built dwelling
further inland, its passenger
unharmed.

DEIFIED FARMER.

On another occasion an old
farmer, high up on a terraced
hillside, during the harvesting of
his precious rice crop, chanced to
turn and look out seawards, when
a long dark line sweeping in from
the horizon told of forthcoming
disaster. There was not time to
descend to warn, and to bring up
the villagers from below. He ad-
opted a surer way, for in a swift
moment he had fired the sheaves
already gathered, and the result-
ing columns of thick and dusky
smoke attracted all eyes and
brought every soul up to the spot.

Their homes a few minutes
later no longer existed, but their
own safety purchased at so great
a sacrifice, found a fitting
memorial in the erection of a
shrine in the honour of the old
headman, and in it he enjoyed
the unique distinction of being
there worshipped, during his
actual lifetime, as their own
tutelary divinity.

SILKWORMS.

In Japan the silkworm was
styled "The honourable little gen-
tleman," and nearly 2,000,000
families, representing perhaps
8,000,000 people, were engaged in
rearing him. No toil was so ex-
acting as that involved in the cul-
tivation of the silkworm. In early
childhood it had to be fed seven
or eight times a day, and in sultry
August its "nurses" only got
some three or four hours' rest in
the 24. The nightingale noise of
the nibbling of these countless
myriads in some farmer's home-
stead was like the scratching of
10,000 pens in a great university
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The Convalescent—Did you
have my brown suit cleaned and
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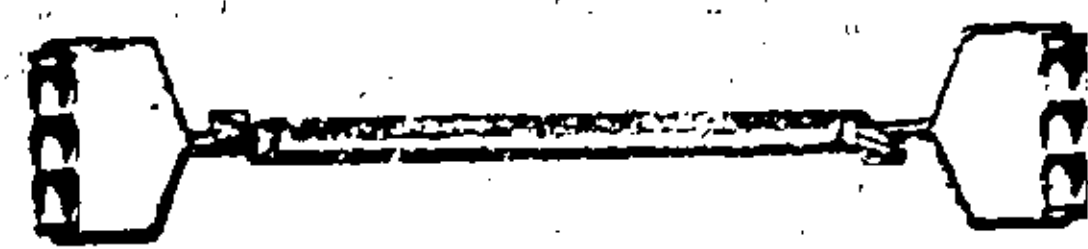
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ROBERT BURNS.

For Scotsmen, the 25th. of January has a far greater and deeper significance than St. Andrew's ever could have. It is the anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns, their national bard, to whose "immortal memory" sons of Scotia in all parts of the globe will do honour to-day. There can be little doubt that the secret of Burns' power is to be found in deep human emotions—he has crept into honest Scottish hearts, and no finer tribute can be paid to him than that of Wordsworth—"deep in the hearts of men his power abides." It is because of that human touch that Burns obtained his power and influence in Scotland, and it is because that power still abides in the hearts of his fellow-countrymen that they continue to remember and honour his name.

Like another Scotsman who has this week risen to the highest administrative post that the United Kingdom has to offer, Burns was reared in lowly circumstances. It has been said that because of his privations the life of Burns remained a fragment, with many rough edges and broken ends. But, none the less, it would be difficult to exaggerate the debt which the literature and life of Scotland owes to him. All his best work was done in the language of his own fireside, and if he owes his place in literature to his poems, it is to his songs that he owes his place in the universal human heart. By his poems and his songs, he stirred to life the national sentiment which in his day was almost dead. Although not in any sense a great religious teacher, he once the less did something to free his countrymen from the fetters of a gloomy creed, and if to-day the religion of Scotland is a brighter, gladder and more human thing than it was a hundred years ago, that is due in large measure to the genius of Burns. It has been claimed for him, not without good reason, that there was no man who could be placed before him either for

spiritual or intellectual power in the deepest sense of the phrase. He was far over giving the Scotch people deep national feeling, humanity, patriotism and love of freedom, whilst behind and beyond all these impulses was his own loving sympathy with common men and women. His works have accomplished much in spreading the thought of the Brotherhood of Man, and they can truly be described as a great treasure, left not only to Scotland but to the whole world.

Burns was more than a poet—he was one of the world's greatest thinkers. He had a vast power of constructive genius but was sadly hampered by the philistine in his environment. Nevertheless, the flood of lovely song and rich, splendid thought was irrepresible, and his works richly reflect variety of mood, and quick transition from one groove of thought or feeling to another. The admiration and affection tendered to his memory all over the world where Scotsmen foregather to-day provide a striking proof of the power of his writings. That power is based on the profound humanity and soft, tender sympathy that emanated from his facile pen.

Industrial Trouble.

The strike news is bad indeed, and the worst feature is the effect of the railway disorganisation on other branches of industry. The gradual adhesion of N.U.R. men to the cause of the original strike faction is disquieting, and no less regrettable is the evidence of an angry mood in the ranks of the disgruntled ones. Though the trouble is at present confined to railwaymen, the effect on the country is almost as serious as if the other big unions were involved. Tens of thousands of miners are being rendered idle, and this means discomfort for them and their dependents; whilst the outlying stocks of coal are sure to diminish and this, and the resulting appreciation of price in all parts of the country, will cause a great deal of suffering during the weeks of winter that yet remain. Foodstuffs cannot as readily be transported now, and shipping shows signs of being increasingly disorganised. It is a very poor outlook for the new Government, and no doubt an extremely embarrassing situation for them to face. Their method of tackling the problem will be awaited on all sides with eager interest.

Chased and Sunk.

The story of the requisitioning by pirates of the Hongkong launch Kong Tak, the falling-in with a Customs vessel, and the subsequent battle and sinking of the launch, reads like a number of chapters from a boy's book of adventure. It merely shows what a pass we have come to in these waters. The tale is received by the average member of the public here as nothing very much out of the ordinary, but we can imagine what it will appear like to dwellers in other parts of the world. We met a man a year or so ago who actually came out to Hongkong under the impression that it was a glorified Chinese coast-village. We marvelled at such colossal ignorance—but perhaps the poor fellow had heard something about the pirates who operate so frequently in this region. It is difficult under such circumstances to believe that this is one of the premier ports of the world, and one of the most important cities in the Empire. During the last few days we have heard a great deal about how to suppress piracy, from people who think they have at length solved a problem which is causing furrows in the brows of some of our most learned men. From the sudden release of a signal rocket on the bridge to the use of a convoy, run these latest suggestions. We fancy that a time might well come when each ship will have to be escorted by trustworthy armed men in a launch or other small vessel; but the case of the Kong Tak suggests that the innocent would have to suffer with the guilty, even were the sinking of a valuable ship avoided. No, the solution is not yet. We wonder, though, whether Mr. Bok could be induced to offer one of his prizes for the most likely scheme of piracy suppression in South China waters. There would certainly be no lack of competitors.

ST. STEPHEN'S GIRLS' COLLEGE.

NEW BUILDING OPENED.

HISTORY OF THE COLLEGE.

The new building of St. Stephen's Girls' College was opened this afternoon by Lady Stubbs in the presence of a large gathering which included His Excellency the Governor, the Bishop of Victoria, Archdeacon Barnett and many others interested in the progress of this excellent scholastic institution.

The proceedings were marked by an interesting review of the history of the College, given by Archdeacon Barnett, who said:—For nineteen years some of us have been looking forward to this day when St. Stephen's Girls' College should have a home of its own. At the beginning of 1905, on the suggestion of Dr. (afterwards Sir Kai) Ho Kai and Mr. (now Dr.) S. W. To's, the Committee of the Church Missionary Society laid the foundation of what to-day is known as St. Stephen's Girls' College. Chinese sentiment concerning the education of girls has suffered great change since those days. Less than two decades ago it was not thought expedient to open a school specially for the daughters of Chinese gentry. So the new venture was named St. Stephen's Preparatory School. A large room was rented at Brezzy Point and Miss Carden (whose name still continues an honoured memory by those whom she taught) was placed in charge. For the first year the school roll numbered but eight pupils, all under ten years of age. Parents now began to ponder the propriety of allowing their daughters to exchange the shelter of home education for the untold risks of open school life. Larger premises were rented in Caine Road. Yet it was not until 1907 that was considered wise to add to the title the words "Girls' School." Eighteen months later, the first girl boarder was attracted from Canton. With this wonderful adventure into the unknown by a solitary girl, a new chapter opens in the history of the school. Chinese parents, led by Dr. Ho Kai and Mr. S. W. To's, proposed—1. That a house of 26 rooms on Caine Road known as Glenwood, be secured at a rental of \$300 a month; 2. that the consequent additional liabilities be guaranteed by Chinese gentlemen who would supply to the school either additional pupils, or other financial aid; 3. that they also provide furniture for the larger building. It was in this year, (1908) that the daughter of Dr. Wan Man Kai, Miss Wan Shuk Ching, a valued member of the present staff, passed the Oxford Senior Local Examination, she being the first Chinese girl to have her name recorded in the senior lists. The time had now come to invert the order of the name. St. Stephen's Preparatory and Girls' School became St. Stephen's Girls' College and Preparatory School. Among honourable names connected with the resident staff in the past are Miss Kathleen Stewart (now Mrs. E. W. L. Martin), Miss Murray (Mrs. W. J. Hinton), Miss Hunt (Mrs. W. J. Hipwell), Miss Sells, B. Sc. (Mrs. F. A. Britton) and Miss Griffin, now Principal of St. Hilda's School, Canton, who was connected with the College from 1908 to 1920—the last five years as Principal.

Miss E. Middleton-Smith, whose absence (on furlough) we regret to-day, and Miss Ussell, now in charge of the Vernacular School, both joined the staff in 1913, but the palm of long service, first in connection with "Fairies," and later with the College, must be awarded to Miss Hazeland. The earthquake of February, 1918, so seriously damaged the rented premises at 27, Caine Road that other accommodation had to be sought in the then new houses at Babington Path. These quarters have finally been vacated for our own substantial buildings which Lady Stubbs graciously has opened to-day. The minutes of the College Council have been signed successively by three Bishops of Victoria—Bishop Hoare, Bishop Lander, and the present occupant of the See, Bishop Duppuy. The valuable help rendered to the Council by both Lady Stubbs and Lady Brunyate has been much appreciated. The College indeed has been privileged to enjoy the active sympathy of Lady Stubbs ever since her arrival in the Colony. It was in the drawing room of Government House, under the inspiration and hospitality of Lady Stubbs, that a Chinese Building Fund Committee was formed in the summer of

1918, with Sir Robert Ho Tung as Chairman, Dr. S. W. To's Secretary, and Mr. Kwok Siu Lau, Treasurer. On Mr. Kwok's resignation, Mr. Ho Wing succeeded him. This Committee generously made itself responsible for \$50,000 towards the Building Fund. Mr. Kwok Siu Lau, with a gift of \$10,000, headed the list of donors whose names are to be recorded in permanent form. Under the energetic and capable direction of Sir Robert Ho Tung, the pledge of our Chinese friends has already been redeemed, and the Committee has consented to remain in office another year if perchance they may be able to render further assistance. A Government Building Grant of \$80,000, with a loan of \$60,000, encouraged the Church Missionary Society to sign a contract under plans prepared by Messrs. Little, Adams and Wood. The cost of building to date is approximately \$350,000. Apart from liabilities for staff, the financial responsibility of the Church Missionary Society towards the establishment of this school on its present site amounts to \$100,000. Unfortunately, the serious increase in the cost of building has rendered it necessary to defer completion of the plans to a future date which we hope is not very far distant. A new school without modern equipment would create an educational anachronism. Offers of gifts of furniture, therefore, are in order. Our friend, Mr. Kwok Siu Lau, has again shown his real interest in the College by undertaking to furnish suitably this fine hall. As an earnest of his intention he has already sent a cheque for \$3,000. The land on which these buildings stand was provided at an annual rental by Government in return for the surrender by the Church Missionary Society of that portion of the Haldon site which had been reserved for Fairies School. Fairies School for Girls, of over forty years' standing, has flourished under the direction in turn of Miss Baxter, Miss Johnston, Miss Fletcher and Miss Cree. Miss Cree's devoted services are greatly missed. She retired in November last. In accordance with the original undertaking Fairies School is now housed in these buildings. At the request of the University authorities, St. Stephen's Girls' College, in September 1922, undertook to become responsible for the hostel supervision of the first girl undergraduates. That promise still holds good. But the Women's Hostel problem, of unique importance, still remains to be solved. In a review, strictly limited to ten minutes in the telling many matters and names worthy of record have had to be omitted. If the beginning of this College was beset with difficulties the accomplishment of the purpose of the originators, as we see it around us to-day, affords the greater cause for thankfulness. And now, with a foundation stone laid by H.R.H. the Prince of Wales on the one side of the front entrance, and the name of Lady Stubbs, as having opened the College, engraved on the other; with a record made, and a reputation to be maintained; with a building dedicated to the glory of God in the service of true education for girls, we confidently step forward into the unknown future, advancing carefully and hopefully. For the Hand which has guided us hitherto is not shortened, neither will its power fail. Gloria in excelsis Deo!

ANNUAL REPORT.

The acting Principal (Miss J. R. Taylor), in the course of her annual report, gave everyone a hearty greeting to the College's new home for which they had hoped and prayed for many years. They did not forget all those who had helped them out of their difficulties in past years when they needed a large hall for their speech days, and they gave most grateful thanks to the Vice-Chancellor of the University and the Warden of Stephen's College. The past year had been a very unsettled one, owing to the many removals they had had both in the College and in the hostel for University women. In spite of all their difficulties, however, the work had gone steadily on and a high standard of attainment had been reached in most forms. In the University examinations, Leung Chun-ha passed her matriculation and had entered the University in the Faculty of Medicine. They now had five old girls at the University—three in the Medical Faculty, one in Arts and one in Engineering. Continuing, the Principal expressed the hope that all their girls who entered the University would come into residence. The great value of residence in

DAY BY DAY.

I DO NOT SHARE THE APPREHENSIONS WITH WHICH MANY PEOPLE REGARD THE POSSIBLE ADVENT OF THE LABOUR PARTY TO POWER.—Lord Jackson.

There were ten further Chinese cases of small-pox notified yesterday.

Messrs. Liggett and Myers have issued attractive Chinese calendars advertising "Old Mill" and "Rex" cigarettes.

An accident occurred at Queen's Road West yesterday, when a Chinese was knocked down by a private motor car. He was taken to the hospital.

There was a good attendance at the monthly meeting of the Radio Society last evening, when various demonstrations were carried out and technical instruction given to the members present.

The vernacular papers report the arrest of one man in Hongkong and another man in Canton on a charge of participation in the Tai Lee piracy. The report still requires confirmation from official quarters.

A Chinese was remanded on appearance before Mr. G. N. Orme, at the Police Court this morning, on a charge of intimidation in connection with the strike of soy-makers in the Colony. The prosecution was brought by the Secretariat of Chinese Affairs.

"One Exciting Night", a new Griffith film at the Coronet to-day, is a mystery film with enough comedy to relieve the situation whenever it becomes too tense. In this film Mr. Griffith produces a picture quite out of his ordinary style. In accordance with the requirements of a good mystery play, all kinds of weird elements are introduced. The plot is wrapped in mystery, and the only way to get it is to visit the theatre, it is advised.

Abdominal injuries resulting from a fall caused the death of the victim of a motor car accident yesterday, in Des Voeux Road West. The deceased, who was a motor-car cleaner, was standing on the footboard of car, then going along the road. In the attempt to retrieve his hat, which was blown off, he jumped from his position, lost his balance and fell on his face with great violence. The injuries he received led to his death in hospital shortly after admission.

Our Picture Page to-morrow will include a snapshot of H. E. the Governor, Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock and others arriving at Kowloon for the foundation-stone laying ceremony of the new Y.M.C.A. building; a picture taken at the wedding of Mr. Y. G. J. Walle and Miss A. A. Michnevitch; photographs of two of Mr. Sinclair's Chinese stage models which are being sent to the British Empire Exhibition; a picture showing Chinese school-boys being physically tested at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. gymnasium; and a study of Mlle. de Sheimo, talented young Russian dancer.

The Hall was the training in discipline, self-reliance and self-control. It was the time when one passed from the careful guidance of parental control into the freedom of independence, when the lessons learnt at home and at school on the right use of liberty were put to the test. It was a break-away from home, and yet it was an added link in the chain of home affection, for the student realised for the first time the affection and care that had surrounded them from childhood. In these and many other ways it was a great preparation for "complete living."

The Principal then stated that two girls had passed the Senior Local Examination with distinctions in Biblical Knowledge, four girls passed the Junior Local, and of these Irene Ung obtained distinctions in arithmetic and Biblical Knowledge. After referring to College activities and paying glowing tributes to members of the staff, past and present, the Principal said she had felt that ere long the three things they still needed would be provided in God's good time—the seat which had yet to be built on the grounds commensurate with the Hall, and a residence for the girls.

ELLIS KADOORIE SCHOOL.

TO-DAY'S PRIZE-GIVING.

The Ellis Kadoorie School held their annual prize-giving ceremony this morning, when there were present the Hon. Sir Claud and Lady Severn, the Director of Education (Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving), the Inspector of English Schools (Mr. E. Ralphs), and Mr. U. Rumjahn (member of the Board of Education).

ANNUAL REPORT.

The Headmaster, Mr. R. E. O. Bird, read the annual report as follows:—I was absent on leave from the Colony from April 7th to November 5th. My place was taken by Mr. F. J. de Rome. The school is indebted for the great interest he took in their welfare. He is at present on his way to England and we all wish him a happy holiday.

There was great competition for the Ho Kom Tong Scholarships, which are now offered in Classes 4, 5 and 6 and for the two Mrs. Lau Chu Pak Scholarships which were offered last year for the first time by Mr. Lau In Chung in honour of his mother.

The maximum enrolment for the year was 750 and the total number on the registers was 829. Mr. Kuo Ping Ho, B.A., resigned in July and his place was taken by U. Wing Piu. Mr. Wong Chi Tung resigned in September. He acted as Sportsmaster while here and these duties have devolved on Mr. Cheung Wai Lai.

Drawing has been taught by Miss Hall during the year to Classes 5, 6 and 7. They have only one lesson of 4-hour a week which, it will be readily understood, is not sufficient to enable the boys to make rapid progress. However, in spite of this, I think the moving finger of time can point to progress and achievements that are really creditable.

Singing is taught in the lower classes by Miss Etheredge. It is a noteworthy fact that the boys who learn singing have a better pronunciation and get higher marks in Colloquial English than those who do not learn it.

The Vernacular Teaching is supervised by Mr. Lau Tsui. Model lessons are given in the hall every Wednesday and Saturday by Vernacular Teachers, and, judging by the results of the examinations, the vernacular studies are in a healthy condition.

Mr. Cheng Kai In has been in charge of the library. It has been well patronised during the year and a number of books has been added to it. Mr. Cheng has devoted much time to its welfare and it certainly fills, as far as its limited capacity goes, a very much-needed want.

The Boy Scouts, under Scoutmaster Lam Kwan Shan, supported by Assistant Scoutmasters Lu Po Sham and Leung Kim Shu, have been very active during the year. They held a concert in Queen's College Hall in February and gave pleasure to a large audience. They played a big part in the local Scout Jamboree held in the City Hall in April. On this occasion a play was specially written for them by Scoutmaster Lam to show Scout knowledge and activities. In May, the E.K.S. Troop came out first in the Prince of Wales Competition with 61 points out of a possible 65. For the present year they hold the Prince of Wales Banner in conjunction with the Sea Scouts, both troops being called the Governor's Troop until September, 1924. In the vaccination campaign which has lately been carried on the E.K.S. Troop were in charge of two stations and vaccinated over 2500 people.

Classes 6, 7 and 8 attended the Y.M.C.A. for drill during the year and all the non-swimmers in the school had a course of three lessons there during the summer. This ought to go a considerable way towards improving the physique of the school and we hope that the statistics which Mr. Dome is shortly going to publish will prove that this has been the case.

We gained eight prizes at the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Federation swimming sports and won the Junior Basketball Championship.

The popularity of swimming is shown by the fact that 520 boys attended a swimming excursion on Empire Day. Our thanks are due to the Y.M.C.A. for their encouragement of all sports and for the way in which they have always put their facilities at our disposal.

Boxing is carried on throughout most of the year and much energetic work is put in by Sergeant Marriott, who takes a great interest in his pupils.

We beg to thank Lady Severn for coming here to-day and distributing the prizes. It is an honour to the school which I trust she will long continue to confer upon it. We beg to thank you, Sir, for your presence here to-day and for your generosity in giving two art prizes. Your encouragement of painting has undoubtedly been a great stimulus to the boys to do their utmost to succeed in a most difficult branch of art. This year 56 boys competed for your two prizes.

I beg to thank Mr. Wong Kam Fuk, Mr. Li Ping, Mr. Kwok U Ping, Messrs. Cheong Sun and the Commercial Press for donating prizes to the school.

Although it does not concern the year 1923, I think it is fitting to mention here that Mr. E. S. Kadoorie, the brother of the Founder of the school, and his son visited us on January 14th and presented the boys with \$150 so that they might have additional cause to remember his visit. As a result of this act of generosity, the boys made an excursion to Chin Wan on Tuesday, January 21st. Over 320 masters and boys embarked on two launches and three junks, and a very pleasant day was spent on the slopes of Tai Mo Shan.

SCHOLARSHIPS.

From a lengthy prize list we note the following winners of scholarships:—

Lau Chu Pak Scholarship (1923).—Chiu U Chap.

Chan Kai Ming Scholarship (1923).—Lau Pui Ki.

Lugard Scholar.—Wai Yiu Chung.

Free Scholarships to Queen's College.—Tam Kam Shau, Lam Chak Shing, Lau Pui Ki and Tsui Fook Ho.

Tai Yau Scholarship.—Wong Cheuk Hing.

Lau Chu Pak Scholarship (1923).—Tse Nai Shung.

Ho Kom Tong Scholarship.—Ng Kai Luk.

Chan Kai Ming Scholarship (1923).—Pau Kun Tat.

Mrs. Lau Chu Pak Scholarship.—Lo Sik Chuen.

Ho Kom Tong Scholarship.—Li Ming Chan.

Mrs. Lau Chu Pak Scholarship.—Li Yiu Wah.

Ho Kom Tong Scholarship.—Au Lai Hang.

SIR CLAUD'S SPEECH.

The Hon. Sir Claud Severn, after expressing the pleasure it gave him to be present, referred to the fact that it was his ninth appearance at the annual prize-giving day of the school; ever since, in fact, its inclusion as a Government School of this Colony. Mr. Bird had only been back a short time, and so he had not been in touch with the work of the school for a long period during the last year, but Mr. de Rome, he was glad to say, had maintained the high standard to which the former had brought it. The report was distinctly satisfactory. It referred to only one or two matters in the work of the Boy Scouts, whose winning of the competition for the Prince of Wales' banner was most satisfactory, and the Government had been much pleased at the work done by the Boy Scouts of Hongkong and also the Sea Scouts, in connection with the vaccination campaign. "I have," said Sir Claud, "written a letter, on the instructions of His Excellency the Governor, to your Commissioner and asked him to convey the Governor's thanks to the various divisions for working so energetically in the work of vaccination. The figures of that campaign are most remarkable. The total number of vaccinations is 322,000 which is about 83 per cent. of the population of Hongkong, and Kowloon as recorded in the last census."

Referring to the progress made in swimming, Sir Claud mentioned the great help provided by the facilities at the Y.M.C.A. Since the advent into the Colony of Mr. Dome, who looked after the physical welfare of the institution, there really was no excuse for anyone not to make himself physically fit. Mr. Dome's energy was really ferocious, and Sir Claud said that he had felt impelled to get out of Mr. Dome's way on many occasions, lest he should want him to join his class. "Two of his friends had been seriously injured after being pressed into that class, but Mr. Dome had assured him that it was really their own fault. The boys by attending the Y.M.C.A. would show their appreciation and gratitude for his work."

Sir Claud said the visit of Mr. Kadoorie was an interesting

event in the School, because he had taken a very kind interest in one of the schools which the late Sir Ellis instituted in Shanghai, and although his visit was a very short one he was glad that Mr. Kadoorie took the opportunity of visiting the school. Referring to the drawing and painting class, Sir Claud said he had visited and inspected the work yesterday, and he had no hesitation in awarding the first prize to Leung Kam Chuen, both of whose landscape and flower studies were extremely good. Though they were capable of some improvement, his composition and colour were quite excellent. The second prize was awarded to Pang Kwai-ying, chiefly for his pencil studies, which showed very great promise. He was not only careful, but strong in general effect. His conception of light and shade showed great aptitude. Sir Claud hoped this student would continue his studies and do a little more work in colour. He wished to commend three other pupils, Li Ka-kan, Choi Kwong-kau and Ng Ping-hee, on their efforts.

Before closing, he wanted to remind them that the Director of Education was leaving the Colony on retirement from the public service after considerably more than thirty years' service in British Malaya and Hongkong. He would ask the Director of Education, before the prizes were distributed, to speak, as this would be the last time he would have the opportunity of speaking at the school. In conclusion Sir Claud thanked them for the reception given to Lady Severn and himself. He wished them a happy holiday and a prosperous year of work afterwards.

MR. IRVING'S GOOD WISHES.

The Director of Education said he could not say he personally regretted leaving, but he was glad to have the opportunity of saying good-bye to the staff and the boys of the school which he had known for so long individually or as a collective body. The school was the latest to be formed of the four principal district schools but it was the largest in numbers and it certainly rejoiced in the finest buildings. Whatever criticism was levelled against education in the Colony, it was seldom levelled against these district schools, and he ventured to say that such a position was mainly due to the efforts of the headmasters and staffs. He had no intention of making a long speech, but he wished to bid them good-bye and hope they all would have prosperous school careers and after-school careers. He trusted that as many of them as could do so would try to get into the University to extend their education to the utmost degree possible. "Good-bye, boys, and good luck to you." (Applause.)

Lady Severn then gave away the prizes.

DAY BY DAY.

A fan-tan party comprised solely of women was broken up yesterday by a police raid on No. 29 Stanley Street. The alleged keeper was allowed a continuance of the bail of \$500 which she put up with the charge-room Inspector on the case being called before the Magistrate this morning. Fourteen other defendants forfeited their bails of \$10 on non-appearance. It was alleged by the police that the profits gathered at this house have amounted to \$17,000 since its institution as a gambling resort.

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INTERPORT FOOTBALL.

PROBABLE SHANGHAI TEAM.

Although the Shanghai interport football eleven has not been officially selected, yet as a result of the three trials played it is almost certain that the team will be represented by:—A. H. Remedios (S. R. C. E. Turner (S. R. C.) and J. A. Quayle (Police); A. Phillips (S. F. C.), G. T. Crawford (Eng.) and J. Falconer (Eng.); F. Witschi (S. R. C.), J. Johanssen (S. R. C.), L. Goldmann (S. F. C.), L. J. Coulcher (S. F. C.) and T. W. R. Wilson (Eng.).

Opinions may vary but few, if any, will find fault if the selection is made en bloc, says the *Shanghai Times*. In the last trial game, Witschi and Johanssen got on wonderfully well together, whilst in goal Remedios excelled himself. The remainder are all certain and cannot be improved upon.

FOOTBALL.

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon Reserves in their 2nd Division League fixture versus Diomed Reserves on Saturday, on the Navy "A" ground, kick off 2.30 p.m.:—J. Beach; D. Urquhart, F. Oller; A. W. Brown, S. Sibley, Randle; V. Hast, B. J. Vickers, W. H. Brown, A. Spary, and B. Haylock. Reserves: L. H. Taylor and S. W. Chapman.

The following have been selected to represent Club de Recreio in the Hongkong Junior League match against the R.G.A. at 2.30 on the South China Ground:—M. Silva; H. Prata, P. Xavier, J. Ribeiro, A. A. Remedios, V. Xavier; L. Rocha, W. Ogley (Capt), A. Gosano, D. Xavier and A. A. Botelho. Reserves: G. Osmund and A. Carvalho.

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FOUND ON CHINESE SAILOR.

In view of the recent piracy on the s.s. Tai Lee, in which certain members of the crew were clearly implicated, it will be learned with interest that a Chinese member of the crew of the s.s. Honam was arrested yesterday at Canton with a loaded revolver in his possession.

We learn that Chinese Revenue Officers made a surprise search of the ship and the crew, and that the sailor in question was searched in the fore-castle when the firearm, loaded, was found in his possession. He was handed over to the police authorities.

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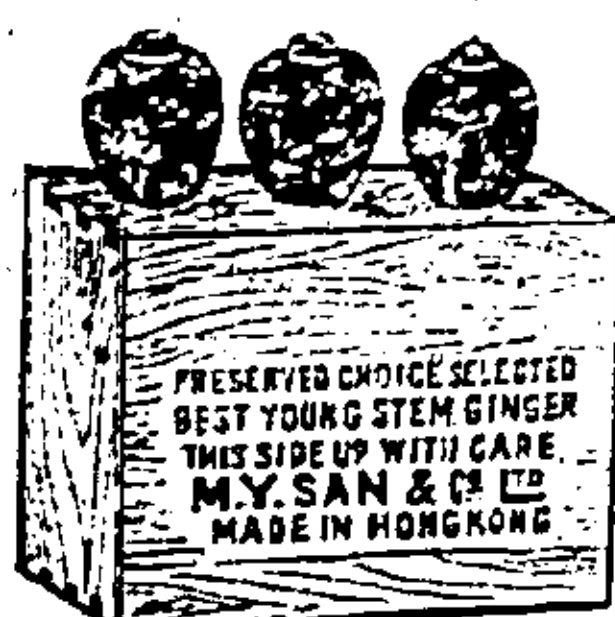
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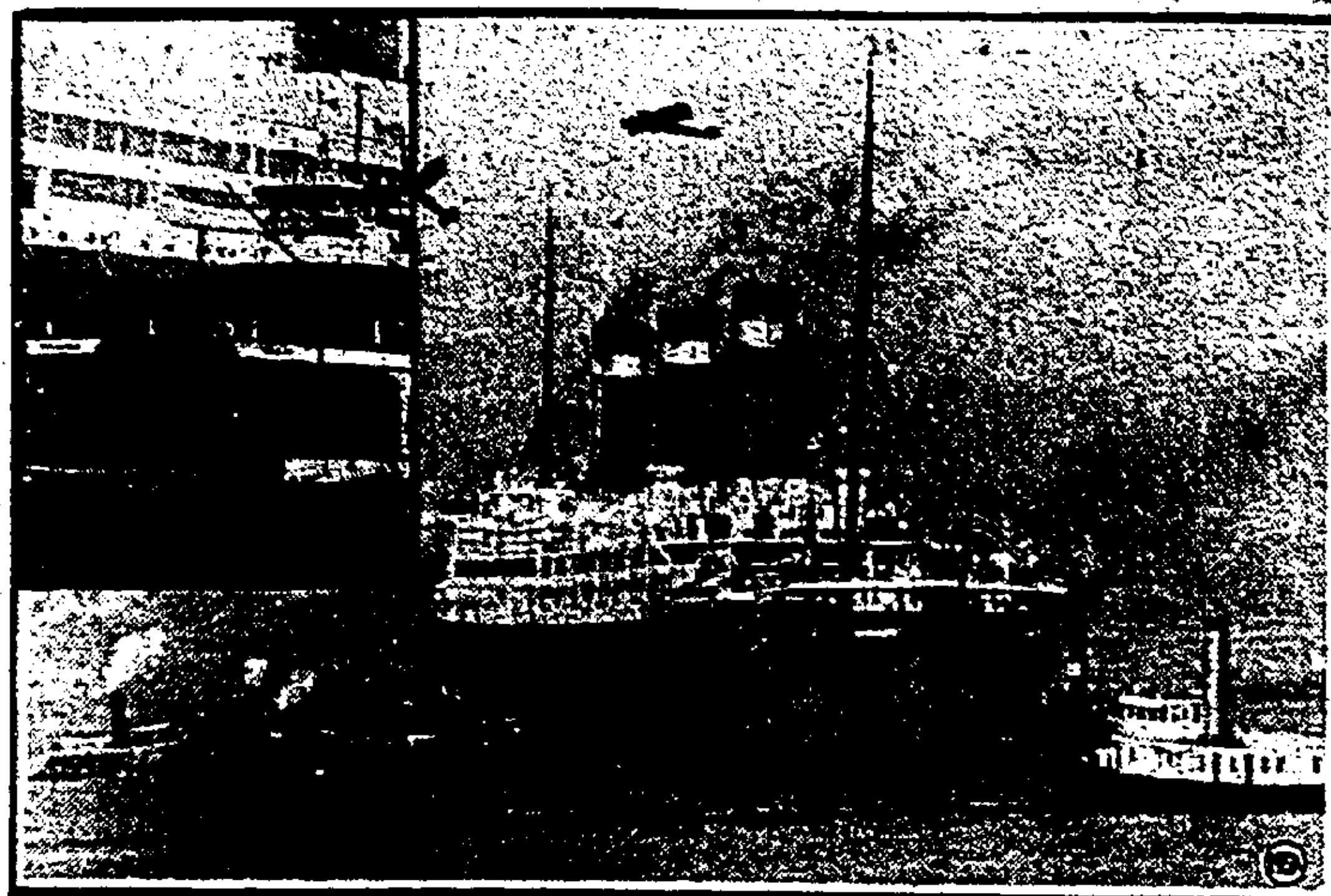
First portrait of George Henry Hubert Lascelles and his mother, Princess Mary, to be taken since the youngster was a month old. He is approaching his first birthday, which will be celebrated with pomp and ceremony in February.



When the tide went out at Whitsand Bay, Cornwall, it left the schooner Mary Peers sleeping peacefully, as the photo shows.



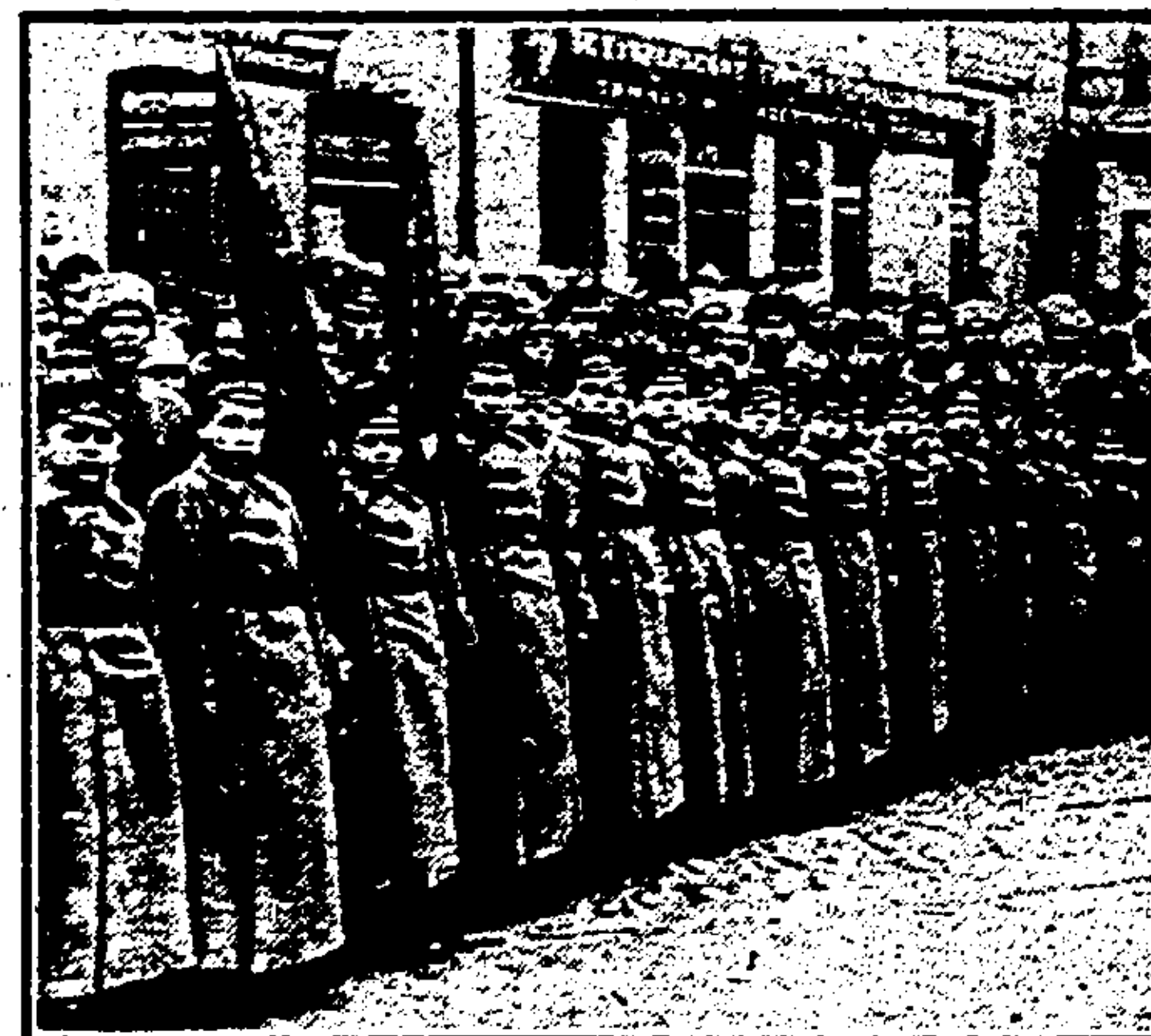
Picture shows a modern coal train in Tunis. Coal transportation is mainly via camel. Each camel carries a few bushels of the precious fuel.



Helplessly stuck in the mud off St. George, Staten Island, in New York harbour, the giant liner Leviathan was held prisoner for about six hours. Passengers were taken from the vessel by a ferry boat (shown inset), while tugs swarmed about trying their best to release the big boat.



Photo is of Dr. Wilhelm Marx, new German Chancellor.



In Soviet Russia they begin training soldiers early in life. Look at these youngsters, mere boys. They are put through the same rigid course of training as older soldiers. Photo made near Charkow during a demonstration in which 100,000 soldiers participated.



Recent dispatches from Luxor, Egypt, describe the shrine of Tutankhamen as "overwhelming" in its magnificence. Howard Carter, in charge of excavations, is shown here at the drawing board, where he carefully records all objects before they are removed from the tomb.



The famous Tiber River in Italy overflowed its banks during the recent floods and storms that took a toll of approximately 700 lives. Photo shows famous bridge of Nomentano, near Rome half submerged.

SHIPPING NEWS

The following local shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day:

Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring
Kendal Castle	Doddwell & Co	Shanghai	A 4
Macdonald	T. K. S.	Pakhoi	A 30
New Mathilde	M. M. Die	Shanghai	O 30
Sam So	T. K. S.	K. C. Wan	O 31
Talarna	W. F. S.	Shanghai	Kow. Whf.
Prometheus	N. Y. K.	Manila	A 32
Iyo M.	Bank Line	Manila	A 36
Starbillion	Thoresen & Co.	Saigon	A 38
Davre	W. F. S.	Saigon	A 39
Kwangchow	W. F. S.	Saigon	West Point
Phosphor	W. F. S.	Saigon	O 45
Poung Tong	B. & S.	Manila	O 24
Honan	St. & Barry	Manila	Kow. Whf.
West Farolan	J. J. L.	Singapore	
Van Udon			

Clearances.

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure
Tebhee	St. O. L.	Manila	26th Jan.
Rikyo M.	T. K. S.	Hobow	
Roma	T. K. S.	Hobow	
Holidan	W. F. S.	Hobow	
Mingyong	J. M. & Co.	Hobow	
Kwai Wah	Yuen Tung	Hobow	
Kendal Castle	Doddwell & Co.	Manila	
Hai Foong	Douglas & Co.	Swatow	

Impending Departures.

(Compiled from our Shipping Advertisements.)

Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing Date
Kendal Castle	P. & O.	Kobe	26th Jan.
Macdonald	P. & O.	Amoy	26th Jan.
Talarna	J. M. & Co.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Phosphor	P. & O.	San Francisco	26th Jan.
West Farolan	B. & S.	Calcutta	26th Jan.
Van Udon	P. & O.	Manila	26th Jan.
Anna	D. & Co.	Kobe	26th Jan.
Arctura M.	N. Y. K.	Manila	26th Jan.
Mojo M.	N. Y. K.	Manila	26th Jan.
Cambridge	J. C. L.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Talarna	J. C. L.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
McKintley	A. L.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Lycan	B. & S.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Fookshing	J. L. Co.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Hanching	D. L. Co.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Tekin	N. Y. K.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Macdonald	N. Y. K.	Shanghai	26th Jan.

Impending Arrivals.

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Vessel	Agents	From	Due Hongkong
Cyprus	A. L.	Kobe	26th Jan.
Macdonald	P. & O.	Amoy	26th Jan.
Talarna	J. M. & Co.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Shinyo M.	T. K. S.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Misima M.	N. Y. K.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Mojo M.	N. Y. K.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Talarna	B. & S.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
P. McKinley	A. L.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Lycan	B. & S.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Prometheus	B. & S.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Macdonald	N. Y. K.	Shanghai	26th Jan.
Talarna	N. Y. K.	Shanghai	26th Jan.

Consignees Diary.

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Vessel	Agents	Goods	Free Storage	Claims to be in by	Examination Date
Langdon Hall	B. L.	Holm	Jan. 10	Jan. 10	Jan. 10
Bandman	B. L. Co.	Holm	Jan. 27	Jan. 27	Jan. 27
Poung Tong	B. & S.	Holm	Jan. 30	Jan. 30	Jan. 30

Steamers' Movements.

Steamers arrived at London on 25th inst.

TO-DAY'S SHARE QUOTATIONS.

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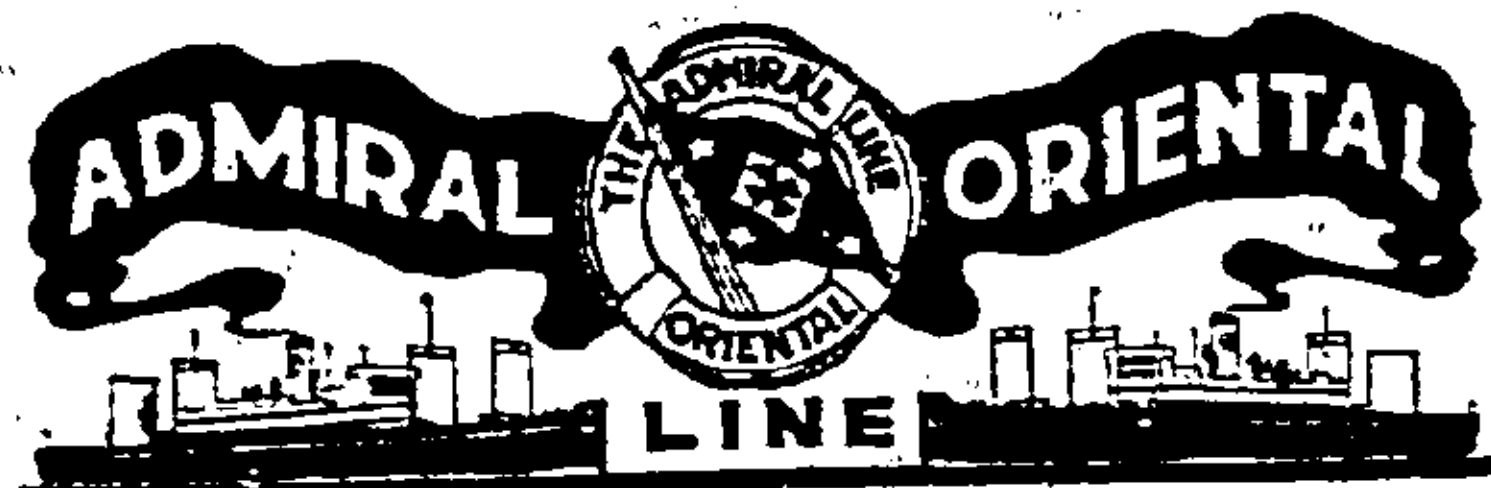
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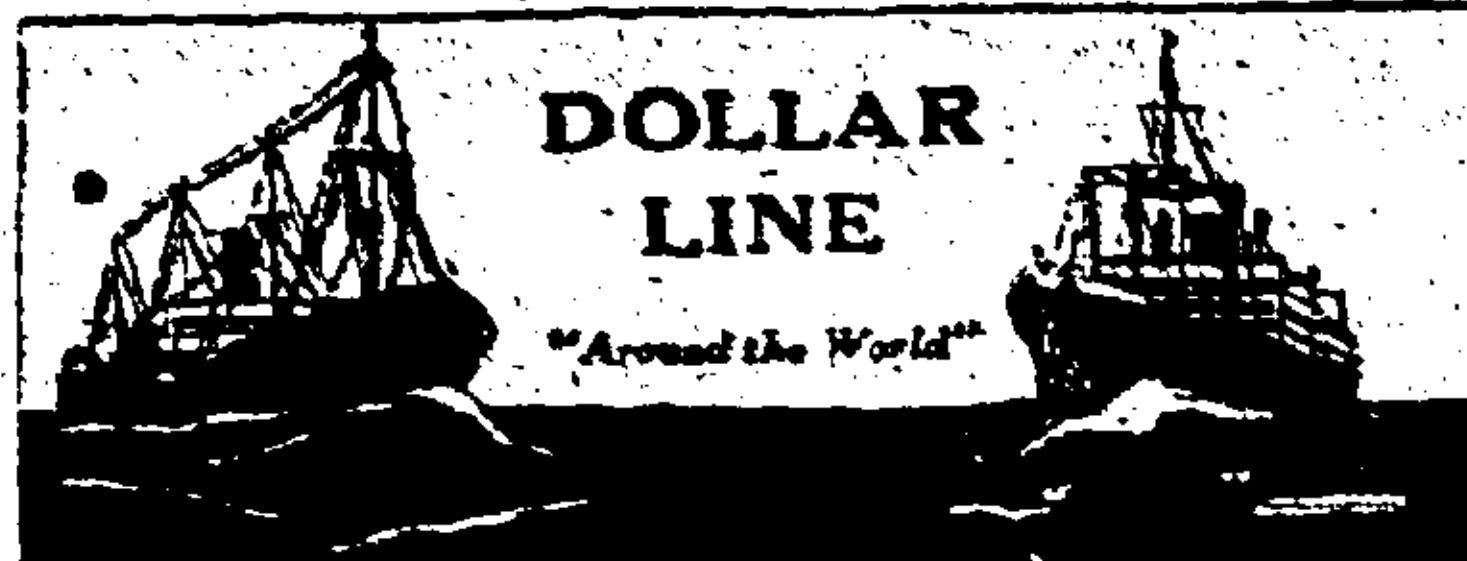
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"LYCAON"	29th Jan. London, Rotterdam & Hamburg
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"PHEMIUS"	18th Feb. London, Rotterdam & Hamburg

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(Direct or via Continental Ports)

"CYCLOPS"	3rd Feb. M'les. Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow
"TALHYBIUS"	20th Feb. Genoa, M'les. Liverpool & Glasgow
"ANTIOCHUS"	1st Mar. M'les. Havre, Liverpool & Glasgow

PACIFIC SERVICE

"TYNDAREUS"	30th Jan. Victoria, Seattle & Vancouver
"PROTESILAUS"	16th Feb. Victoria, Seattle & Vancouver

NEW YORK SERVICE

(via Suez or Panama)

"HYSON"	5th Feb. via Suez & Boston
"EURYBATES"	16th Feb. via Suez & Boston
"IXION"	21st Feb. via Suez & Boston

PASSENGER SERVICE

"MENTOR"	4th Feb. for Singapore & London
"TEIRESIAS"	16th Feb. for Shanghai
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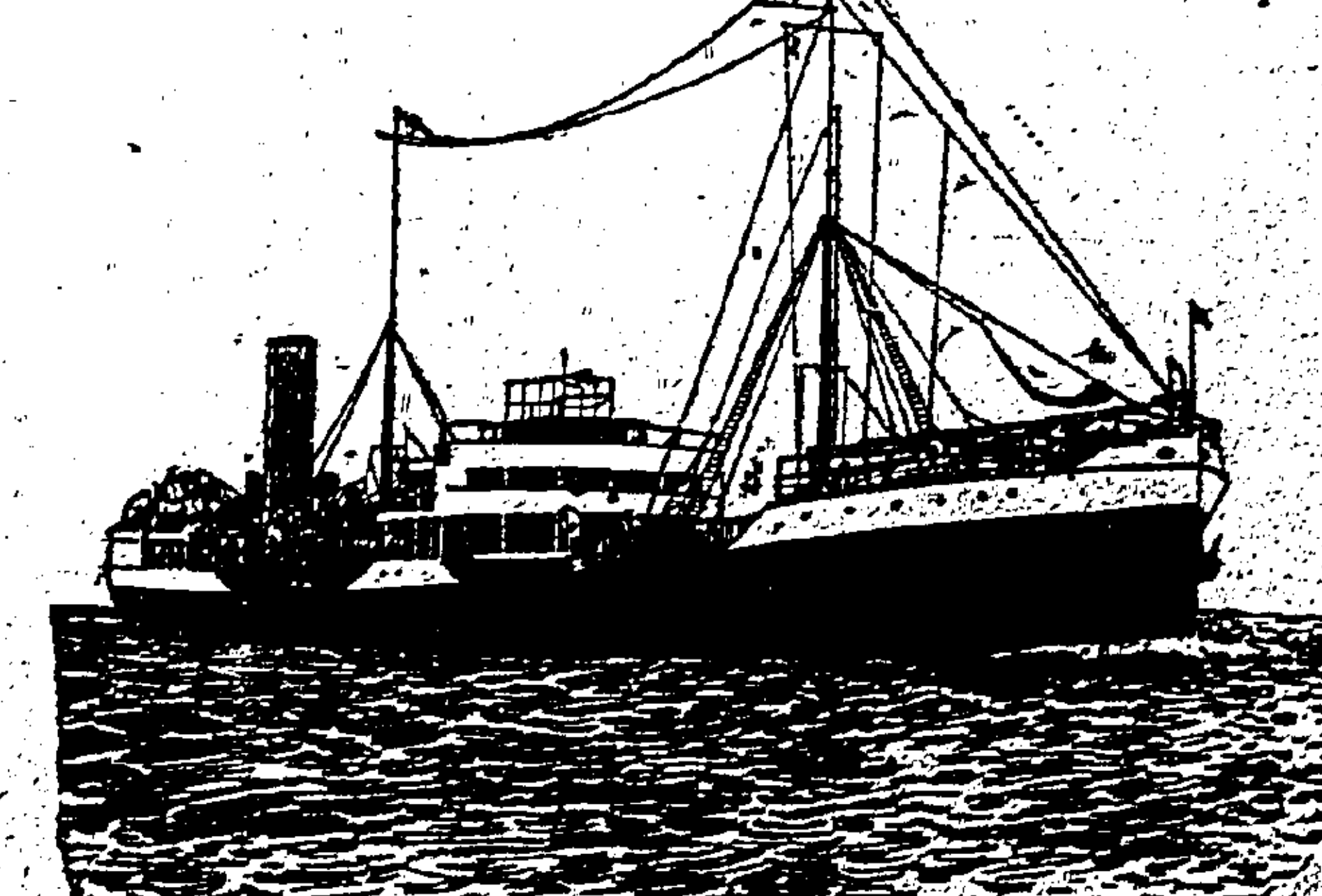
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From Rotterdam, Amsterdam,

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The Steamship.

"SAPAROE" (4)

having arrived from the above

ports, consignees of cargo by her

are notified that all goods are

being landed at their risk into

the hazardous and/or extra-

hazardous godowns of the Hong-

kong and Kowloon Wharf and

Godown Co. Ltd., whence and

or from the wharves delivery

may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 28th

Jan., 1924, will be subject to

rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged

packages are to be left in the

godowns, where they will be

examined on the 26th Jan., 1924,

at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard &

Douglas.

Claims against the steamer

must be presented in writing

within ten days after arrival of

steamer, otherwise they will not

be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be

effected by the undersigned in

any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be coun-

tersigned by

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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From NEW YORK.

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& Godown Company, Ltd., at

Kowloon, whence and/or from

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obtained.

Optional Cargo will be for-

warded unless notice to the

contrary be given before 21st

inst.

No claims will be admitted

after the Goods have left the

Godowns, and all Goods remain-

ing undelivered after the 27th

inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer

must be presented to the under-

signed on or before the 6th

prox. or they will not be re-

cognized.

All broken, chafed, & damaged

Goods are to be left in the Go-

dows, where they will be ex-

amined on the 26th inst. at 10 a.m.

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SOUDAN	6,896	16th Feb.	Spore, P'ang, C'bo & B'ham
MOREA	10,911	23rd Feb.	B'ham, M'les, L'don, A'werp
ALIPORE	5,273	27th Feb.	Spore, Colombo & Bombay
NAGPORE	5,283	4th Mar.	Spore, Colombo & Bombay
PERIM	7,643	6th Mar.	Spore, Colombo & Bombay
KARNATA	9,093	8th Mar.	M'les, London & Antwerp

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

WARINA	3,120	26 Jan. d'light	Bangkok only
TORILLA	3,205	27 Jan. 1 p.m.	Spore, Penang & Calcutta
JAPAN	6,052	3th Feb.	Spore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

ST. ALBANS	4,500	2nd Feb.	Manila, S'kan, Thurs. 1st.
EASTERN	4,000	25th Feb.	Cairns, Townsville, B'ham.
ARAFURA	5,000	2nd Apr.	Sydney & Melbourne.

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KARNATA	9,093	27 Jan. 10 a.m.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TANDA	9,956	30th Jan.	Moji & Kobe
PERIM	7,643	1st Feb.	Shanghai & Kobe
EASTERN	4,000	2nd Feb.	Moji & Kobe
SOUDAN	6,896	9th Feb.	Shanghai
NAUDERA	15,993	9th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TAKADA	6,949	14th Feb.	Moji & Kobe

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PENINSULAR	14th Feb.		
RADNORSHIRE	25th Feb.		
GLENLUCE	10th Mar.		
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GLENSHANE	6th Apr.		

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AMBOISE	26th Dec.	31st Jan.	18th Feb.
CORAILLIERE	28th Dec.	31st Jan.	18th Feb.
ANGERS	10th Jan.	10th Feb.	9th Mar.
CHILI	24th Jan.	24th Feb.	23rd Mar.

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ARRIVALS FROM EUROPE:

S.S. MAFLA due Hongkong on the 17th Feb.

SAILINGS TO EUROPE:

Steamers	For	Sailing on or about
OUDEKERK	A'dam, R'dam, Hamburg, Bremen	6th Feb.
SAPAROE	R'dam, A'dam, Hamburg, Bremen	B. of Mar.

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SHIZUKA MARU ... Wednesday, 20th Feb.

MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, &c.
SUWA MARU ... Wednesday, 30th Jan. at 11 a.m.
FUSHIMI-MARU ... Wednesday, 13th Feb.

HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM. ... Middle of Feb.
MITO MARU ...
LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA. ... First half of Feb.

DURBAN MARU ...
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, &c. ... 28th Jan. at 2 p.m.
MISHIMA MARU ... Monday, ... Wednesday, 13th Feb.

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.
MAYBASHI MARU ... Tuesday, 12th Feb.

BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.
KANAKURA MARU ... Sunday, 17th Feb.

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo. ... Monday, 28th Jan.
MOJI MARU ... Sunday, 10th Feb.

HAQQATE MARU ...
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon. ... Tuesday, 29th Jan.
MALACCA MARU ... Tuesday, 5th Feb.

AKITA MARU ... Friday, 8th Feb.
OSAKA MARU ... Monday, 11th Feb.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA. ... Thursday, 14th Feb.
TANGO MARU ...
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA. ... Monday, 4th Feb.

TSUYAMA MARU ... Tuesday, 5th Feb.
HAKUSAN MARU ... Wednesday, 13th Feb.
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HAIPHONG via Hoibow Mingsang	Fri. 25th Jan. at 10 a.m.	
MANILA via Yuensang	Sat. 26th Jan. at 11 a.m.	
STRAITS & Calcutta via Fooksang	Tues. 29th Jan. at 3 p.m.	
RANGKON via Swatow Fookshing	Tues. 29th Jan. at 10 a.m.	
SHANGHAI via Swatow Waihsing	Wed. 30th Jan. at 7 a.m.	
RANGKON via Chungsang	Thurs. 31st Jan. at noon	
SHANGHAI via Swatow Wosang	Thurs. 31st Jan. at 7 a.m.	
SHANGHAI via Swatow Yatshing	Sun. 3rd Feb. at 7 a.m.	
TTAO via S'ow & S'hai Kwongsang	Wed. 6th Feb. at 7 a.m.	
SHANGHAI via Swatow Loksang	Fri. 8th Feb. at 7 a.m.	
YOKOHAMA via Kobe Laisang	Wed. 13th Feb. at noon	
STRAITS & Calcutta via Kutsang	Fri. 15th Feb. at 3 p.m.	

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Haiching ...	A. H. Stewart	TUES. 29th Jan. at 1 p.m.
Haichong ...	W. C. Passmore	FRI. 1st Feb. at 1 p.m.

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TROPICAL FORESTS.

The Empire's Resources.

Attention has been called to the area of tropical forest within the British Empire, which, according to an estimate given at a meeting of the Association of Economic Biologists, is three-quarters of a million square miles. Dr. R. S. Troup, of the Oxford School of Forestry, in a paper on the subject, discussed their value as a source of timber, in the regulation of climate and rainfall, and as an adjunct to agriculture. He pointed out that forests differed from such natural assets as mines in every important respect. Under careful management they could yield annual dividends increasing rather than diminishing in value, whereas the exploitation of minerals necessarily exhausted the supply. The mixed character of most tropical forests renders their treatment difficult, except under the direction of a fully-trained forestry staff. The Department of Scientific and Industrial Research has recently established a Forest Products Research Board, and it was expected that now the efficient training of forest and research officers would be possible.

A Summary of the position in Korea is afforded by the statement of the President of the Bank of Chosen at the recent meeting of shareholders. He states that though the economic condition of Chosen is not yet in a position to show any appreciable favourable situation after many years of depression, there seems to be little doubt that it will attain a healthy development in future. Not only are the measures for financial adjustment taken subsequently to the monetary crisis of some years ago gradually being materialised, but every year sees some increase in the production of important staples. Steady progress in irrigation and reclamation in addition to the construction or improvement of railways, harbours, roads, etc., so important to the industrial development of a country, is being undertaken on every side. Retarding influences have been the general instability of the economic situation both at home and abroad adversely affecting business. The policy of the bank remains to advance the healthy economic development of Chosen and Manchuria, and thus fulfil the trust reposed by the State and the public.

TRADE CONDITIONS IN KOREA.

The Steamship "BENDORAN"

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